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Monday evening Rev and Mrs. S. H. Whitlock's silver wedding was celebrated in a fitting manner at Macon.

Tam revival at the United Brethren church has been discontinued on account of the cold weather.

Don't disgust everybody by hawking, blowing and spitting, but use Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy and be cured.

Two fine companies at the opera house next week—"Monte Cristo" Wednesday, and Bartley Campbell's, "Galley Slave" company Friday.

SAMPLES of the hard burnt street paving brick from the kilns of the Decatur Steam Tile factory will soon be ready for inspection.

The U. B. and Christian church at Argenta, Friends Creek township will be dedicated on Sunday, Feb. 8. All are invited to attend.

The last will of James Rinehart, deceased, late of Friends Creek township, was filed for probate in the county court yesterday. The executors are Joel H. and John Rinehart.

N. H. PAAREN, the Illinois veterinarian, ordered the slaughter of six horses at Taylorville, on account of glanders, and had their manures and feeding troughs burned.

A WITTY deacon puts it thus: "Now brethren, let's get up a snapper and eat ourselves rich. Buy your food; then give it to the church; then go back and buy it again; then eat it up, and your church debt is paid."

The funeral of the late William Ballett, the young man who was frozen to death on Thursday morning last, took place from the Christian church at Nantio Saturday afternoon, Rev. H. A. Barton, of Illinois, officiating. It was very largely attended.

Tax special meetings at the Baptist church are growing in interest and profit. Last night there was another large congregation present and Dr. Perren delivered an effective sermon. At the close there were seven hopeful conversions. Preaching again to-night.

The lot of Baldwin vacant lot at the corner of West Main and College streets, has been sold to John A. Swearingen for \$2,000. The lot has a frontage on Main street of 70 feet. Mr. S. may build a fine residence on that corner during the coming spring or summer.

The protracted meeting at the Christian church still continues. Dr. Blackwell is considered the equal of Prof. Black in eloquence and power as a preacher, and his sermons are highly commended. The extreme cold weather interferes somewhat with the attendance. Preaching again to-night.

It is said that the use of postal cards is falling off. It costs but two cents to send any communication in a sealed envelope and printed circulars and business notices are found to attract more attention, if enclosed and sealed, than if printed on cards. The issue of two cent stamps has increased about thirty per cent. over last year, and will keep on increasing.

DANIEL WRIGHT, a venerable resident of Hickory Point township, died on Sunday morning, Jan. 26th. He was past 80 years of age. The deceased was a native of Pennsylvania. He leaves many descendants in this county. The funeral took place this (Monday) forenoon at Rolling Springs church.

RAMONA KITCHEN has commenced the publication of a five-column folio weekly paper at Warrensburg. It is called *The Times*. The third number of the first volume, dated Jan. 23d, is at hand. The leading editorials are cutting personal allusions to the late prohibition candidate for circuit clerk.

A. O. BARWEN, the baker, has decided to go ahead and have constructed one of those patent ovens such as he saw recently in Chicago. It will cost about \$300. The heating apparatus will be so arranged that the oven will be evenly heated for the 24 hours and can be used at any and all times. A Chicago man will build it.

On Sunday last a German in the employ of W. T. Dillehunt, north of Decatur, found a rabbit hunter buried partly in the snow and nearly frozen to death. The German, who cannot speak English, got the hunter to the house, and thawed him out. He didn't learn his name, but he resides somewhere in Decatur. He had a gun and several rabbits when found, and seemed to be oblivious to all surroundings when the German happened to discover him.

Tax Notice.
I have received my books and am ready to collect taxes. Will be in Decatur every Saturday at Millikin's Bank; Prairie Hall every Friday; Dalton every Thursday, and at Mt. Zion the balance of the week.

J. M. HUTTONSON, Col.
Jan. 23-24

Living on \$1,000 a Year.
In different cities throughout the country there is quite a discussion going on as to the cost of living, and a variety of views are expressed. The News says that one man in Chicago says he can save money on \$1,000 a year, and another says it cannot be done, but which it can or not does not depend so much on the man as the one who engineers the kitchen. If the housewife's time is devoted to birds, plants, dogs, cats, and fancy work or skating rinks, while a Teuton or Celt runs the kitchen, it is not only possible but probable, that \$1,000 will fail to support the family and leave a margin for books or the saving bank. It is true that many men waste their income on cigars, beer and billiards, but the wonder is, judging from the appearance of back alleys, that more men are driven to despair and suicide rather than to their daily toil. They are victims of a tea-spoon in the hands of a wife or a servant too lazy to economize as they should.

To the Churches in Decatur.
D. W. Potter of Chicago, a lay-evangelist, will conduct a series of revival meetings at the First M. E. Church of this city, beginning Saturday evening, Jan. 31. The ministers and members of other churches are invited to attend these meetings and take part in the same. Mr. Potter's revival work has largely been under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., and we believe his methods are such that all evangelical Christians will feel free to work with him. We trust that the pastors and members of the various churches will co-operate in these meetings, making them to result in many conversions and additions to the different churches.

T. I. COULTRAS,
Pastor First M. E. Church.

A Happy Affair.
From Wednesday's Daily.
The tin wedding of Mr. and Mrs. N. Hagerman, who were married ten years ago, was pleasantly celebrated last night at their commodious home on West William street. The party was planned by Mrs. H., who arranged it as a surprise on her husband. Such it proved to be. He knew nothing of the invasion until the party arrived in a body and tendered their congratulations. The company included the neighbors and a few of the more intimate friends of the family. A sumptuous supper was served by Mrs. H. The guests brought many appropriate tokens of friendship and good will. It was not until a late hour that the party dispersed.

Amusements Next Week.
MONTICRISTO.
On Wednesday evening, Feb. 4th, the renowned actor, Mr. James O'Neill, supported by a very strong cast, will appear at the opera house in the great drama, "Monte Cristo," with all the scenery, calum lights and grand stage effects which has made this play famous. The sale of seats will begin at Curtis & Co.'s on Monday morning, Feb. 2.

THE GALLEY SLAVE.
On Friday evening, Feb. 6, Bartley Campbell's greatest play, "The Galley Slave," will be presented in a manner never before equaled in this city.

HAVE used Tongaline in a case of neuralgia of 35 years standing. For the last few years my patient has been unfit for work nearly all the time. Has not been free from pain for many years. Was suffering extreme pain when he began taking Tongaline. He has not had a severe attack since beginning its use, eight days since. This is remarkable, from the fact that he has worked in the sun, which he has not been able to do for twenty years. It is a splendid nerve tonic.

H. P. NELSON, M. D., Ashland, Ohio.
It Makes Him Shiver.
A Decatur Irishman, while speaking of the devilish deeds of the London dynamiters last Saturday, stated to-day that it made him shiver to think of the terrible outrage. "I don't approve of such work as that," said he. "Two wrongs don't make a right, and if there are any Irishmen in Decatur—and I don't believe there is one—who have any sympathy for or applaud that kind of work, then I have no use for them and don't want to know them."

Mischief is Wrought.
by bad cooking, tough meats, late hours, business worries, irregular hours, sour disposition, evil digestion and impure blood. Much of this mischief can be overcome by the use of Brown's Iron Bitters—the best tonic ever made. Mrs. Emile Crawford, Reidsville, Ga., writes: "After trying Brown's Iron Bitters we are persuaded that it is all that it claims to be—a good and reliable tonic." Thousands of others speak in like manner.

Poor Emma Bond.
Emma Bond's father was in Taylorville Saturday and reported his daughter in a critical condition. One side of her body is paralyzed, and she cannot speak and is nearly deaf. She is now entirely helpless.

At all seasons of the year people are liable to contract chills and fever, and other sorts of malarial diseases. Mischief is wrought by the use of a rival in the treatment of all complaints of this character, as it is for cholera morbus, dysentery, indigestion, etc. Charles J. Rhodes, a prominent citizen of Safe Harbor, Lancaster Co., Pa., writes: "Your Bitters cured me of fever and ague. I believe it will cure any case of fever and ague. I have seen it tried often enough to know what it can do."

THE STATE FAIR MEETING.

Conference of Citizens and Appointment of Committees.

From Wednesday's Daily.

It has been urged for some days that a general meeting of citizens should be held for the purpose of taking action toward securing the location of the state fair in Decatur for the next two years, if not permanently. In accordance with this expression a meeting of citizens was held last evening at the office of Montgomery & Shull. There were present Hon. Wm. Vorhies, Jr., John Ullrich, R. P. Lytle, B. Z. Taylor, J. B. Race, Franklin Priest, John R. Miller, C. M. Durfee, H. W. Bartholomew, R. R. Montgomery, F. M. Young, O. F. Spaulding, Charles Laux, R. L. Walton, F. W. Haines, Fred K. Bartholomew, J. G. Clark and others.

Mr. Vorhies was elected chairman and Mr. Montgomery was chosen secretary. The chairman stated the object of the meeting, and after a general talk as to the best plan to be pursued to ascertain how much money the business men and railroad companies will subscribe toward fitting up the grounds in proper shape, Mr. Ullrich's motion that the chairman and secretary select suitable canvassing committees was adopted.

The general talk elicited the fact that it will take \$17,000 to \$20,000, to fit up the grounds to fill the requirements of the state board of agriculture, and suitable grounds with proper equipments are all the board desire. The railroad companies centering here will give a good proportion of the sum required, and townships outside of Decatur will also contribute liberally. The \$20,000 will make abundant permanent improvements at the fair grounds, which embrace forty acres. Possibly if the state fair is secured the twenty acres east of the entrance will be enclosed.

THE COMMITTEES.

The following committees were announced:

Committee on Railroads—M. F. Kanan, chairman; John Ullrich, D. S. Shellabarger, K. Harwood, C. L. Hovey, James W. Haworth, C. W. Tyler and N. E. Adams. County committee to confer with the Supervisors about a Subscription—A. T. Hill, chairman; D. W. Brennan, James Freeman, J. B. Race, R. Eugene Pratt, F. M. Young, J. R. Miller and S. S. Jack. City committee to confer with City Council about a Subscription—Mayor W. B. Chambers, chairman; L. L. Haworth, J. K. Warren, J. O. Lake, B. L. Walton, W. T. Wells and Franklin Priest.

Individual Soliciting committee for city and county, with power to appoint sub-committees—W. W. Foster, chairman; Wm. Vorhies, Jr., Milton Johnson, H. W. Bartholomew, Charles M. Hurs, B. Z. Taylor, O. E. Curtis, L. L. Burrows, A. E. Kinney, J. I. H. Young, Jr., V. N. Hostetter, John G. Imboden, Frank W. Haines and Chas. N. Wagnerseller.

On motion it was decided to hold another general meeting of citizens at the council rooms on Saturday evening next when committees will report such progress as they have made.

The State Board will meet at Springfield on Feb. 10th, on which day they will consider bids and decide as between Decatur, Springfield and Peoria, and also Chicago, if that town is again an applicant for the show. There is no question but that the state fair, if held in Decatur, will give us a big business boom beginning many days before fair week, and that it will bring thousands of strangers to town. There is a possibility that the legislature this winter will take action locating the state fair permanently at some point, and in case of the passage of such a bill, Decatur and Springfield would be lively rivals. Let our citizens be alive to their interests and chip in liberally toward raising the required amount of money. It will be like casting bread upon the waters. It will be returned with vig interest, if we get the state show; and if we do not get it, then there will, of course, be no demand for payment of subscription.

Decatur will first guarantee the sum required, and then it will be necessary for her to send a committee of representative citizens to Springfield on Feb. 10th to present our claims. This matter will be attended to after the work mapped out last night is completed.

The Democrat Won.

In the contested election case of North vs. Harpster for the office of circuit clerk of DeWitt county, the recount of the ballots at Clinton resulted in the finding of a majority of 15 for Harpster. It took two days to complete the count, and a change of 14 was thereby effected. The result, as footed up by the judges of election in November, gave Harpster a majority of only 1. This is the first time for over 25 years that the office of circuit clerk of DeWitt county has been in Democratic hands.

All "Played Out."

"Don't know what ails me lately. Can't eat well—can't sleep well. Can't work, and don't enjoy doing anything. Ain't really sick, and I really ain't well. Feel all kind of played out, somersy." That is what scores of men say every day. If they would take Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" they would soon have no occasion to say it. It purifies the blood, tones up the system and fortifies it against disease. It is a great anti-bilious remedy as well.

Florida has a man named Harpster.

Figures About Coal.

What is to follow is not a slam at the council, the Decatur or Peoria coal companies, but is simply an abbreviation of the annual report of Col. J. S. Lord, secretary of the State Bureau of Labor Statistics, concerning the production of coal in Illinois. He shows that there are 49 counties in the state where there are mines; number of mines, 741; employees of all kinds, 25,575; number of tons mined in 1884, 10,101,655; aggregate value at mines, \$13, 64,976; average value per ton for state at large, \$1.80; average price paid for mining per ton 82 cents; men killed, 46; men hurt, 197. The average value per ton at the mines for the state at large, as computed from the estimate made in each locality, is for this year \$1.30. Last year the average obtained in the same manner was \$1.46; and that for the preceding year was also \$1.46 with a difference of some remote decimals, while the estimates made by the United States census officials for 1880 was \$1.44 per ton. A similar decline is observed in the average for the price of mining. Last year an average made up from the different prices paid in all parts of the state was 90 cents a ton. This year a similar computation gives an average for the state at large of 82 cents. This of course is alike removed from either extreme, the lowest price paid being nominally 57½ cents per ton, and the highest, \$1.50, though by far the greater number of tons is mined at the lower rates.

Letter from Willis Pope.

The following letter from Lincolnville, Kansas, under date of Jan. 21st, is from a former resident of Blue Mound township, this county:

REPUBLICAN.—Enclosed find \$3.00 for *REPUBLICAN*. We cannot do very well without it. We have had about two months of very cold weather. The winter has been very hard on stock. The thermometer was down 22 degrees below zero New Year's day in sunny Kansas. Hogs are worth 4 cents. Fat cattle are worth from 4½ to 5 cents. There are a great many being fattened here. I have about 30 head of Short-horns and have one fine one of Sharon that weighs 2000. I bought a young one from Albert Oran. He is a Jubilee. I raised 75 acres of wheat and it was very good, but have not threshed it yet. Wheat is worth from 45 to 50 cents; has been as low as 20 cents per bushel. Some have been feeding their cattle with wheat to the bundle. Corn goes at about 50 bushels per acre; price 50 cents. Tell W. T. Moffett to give Editor Smith another dig. Moffett's reminds me of old times. I suppose we have to stand a Democrat administration. There are not enough Democrats in Kansas that can read to hold the postoffice. They will have to appoint all of their clerks Republicans. We beat the Democrats 60,000 majority, and did not half try. We neither elected Glick nor St. J. I was very glad to hear that Carter Harrison did not beat Uno Dick. I will close for this time, and remain yours, respectfully, WILLIS POPE.

Church Members at War.

The telegraph tells of a disgraceful scene in the Christian church at Lovington last Sunday. The account of the sensational scene states that for some time the church has been divided on having organ music during church services. Efforts have recently been made to settle the controversy, and a decision was made by the trustees a few days since. Sunday after regular services, and when the congregation was being dismissed, some members opposed the dismissal, for the purpose of bringing the question of music before the congregation. Angry words were freely indulged in by both sexes, women calling men liars, men calling women liars, and inviting each other to fight. A general fight was avoided by calling in the police. H. M. Minor, a local elder, knocked down F. L. Hostetter, an ex-deacon.

From Tuesday's Daily.

JOHN ALFORDS was sentenced to serve eighteen years in the penitentiary by Judge Smith last evening. The defendant stood up and made a weak speech in his own behalf, but at every point Judge Smith met him with a good answer, and very justly stated that a much severer penalty should be visited upon the prisoner than that found by the jury. In some states, said the Judge, parties convicted of such an offense, would be hung in a jiffy. After receiving his sentence Alfords, who in his talk appealed to the sympathy of the Judge, resumed his seat with head cast down. Alfords said the eighteen years at Joliet would be the same as a life sentence to him, for he would surely die there. He should have thought of that before he planned to lead little Minnie Lehman from her home and outrage her person.

INSANITY is on the increase. Statistics show this. Many cases are brought on by overwork, anxiety, excitement, mental trouble and nervous prostration; it is also inherited. Nervous sleeplessness and constipation manifest themselves before one becomes insane. Constipation induces dyspepsia, jaundice, bad breath, pimples, low spirits, headache, etc. Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic relieves constipation, thereby curing these diseases. Price 50 cents. For sale by Dr. A. J. Sioner.

Embroideries.

To close out, we offer an elegant line of embroideries, carried over from last season, in odds and ends in quantities of 5 to 10 yards—at one-half price. Before invoicing we mean to force sales, and we will be liberal with you—as we always are—and remnants will not be measured very carefully. CHAS. STONE.

CIRCUIT COURT.

December Term, 1884, Judge C. B. Smith Presiding.

TUESDAY, JAN. 27.

Court convened at 8:30 a. m. PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

People vs. John Alfords; rape. Defendant sentenced to 18 years in the penitentiary at hard labor, on verdict of the jury.
Pe. vs. Edward B. Patterson. Sentenced to the penitentiary for 6 years on two separate charges of burglary and larceny. This is the young man who robbed the brick residence in Peoria and the Pickard dwelling near Mark-town. He pleaded guilty.
Charles Porter and Tedy Cochran, convicted of stealing the Benz & Wheeler game clock, were each sentenced to 10 days in the county jail.

Nas Peterson was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for burglary and larceny at Peoria.
The one against Nicholas Laux and Wm. Powers was continued with alias capias.
The jury in the one against James Clark and Frank Sullivan, tried for burglary and larceny, brought in a verdict of guilty of larceny; value of property taken, \$4.50. Prisoner sentenced to 30 days in the county jail.

Michael McMahon pleaded guilty to two counts for keeping open tipping house; was fined \$50 and costs and ordered to stand committed to the penitentiary for a term of 60 days, with M. K. Carroll as security.
Joseph Wilson pleaded guilty to two counts for selling liquor to minors and was fined \$40 and costs.

The charge of selling liquor to a minor, Michael McMahon pleaded guilty to two counts and George Bennett guilty to one count.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Lemon & Barback vs. Robert A. Campbell; chancery. Continued.
George Carroll vs. Patrick Carroll; divorce and injunction. Defendant ordered to be attached for contempt of court.

People for use of Lovell Thompson, vs. Francis May et al; chancery. Continued.
Hester Davis vs. Samuel Davis; divorce. Dismissed by plaintiff.

Fred Abbott vs. Andrew J. Stoner; chancery. Continued.

Jacob Spangler vs. James D. Tait et al; partition. Dismissed for want of prosecution.
Fred Abbott vs. George W. Lyons et al; foreclosure. Heard by court.

Arthur Quinn vs. Hridget Quinn; partition. Dismissed by plaintiff.
John H. Myers vs. John Shriver et al; partition. Heard by court.

Martha Cook vs. Francis J. Cook; divorce. Continued.
Sarah A. Betzer and Mary Jane Lillis vs. Rebecca Betzer et al; chancery. The effort to secure a continuance failed and action was dismissed without prejudice.

W. B. Henderson vs. J. W. Fied vs. Orville Ewing; injunction. Continued.
E. A. Price vs. James Price; divorce. Continued for service.

E. C. Carver vs. Martin Haney et al; chancery. Continued.
F. H. McCormick & Bro. vs. Samuel G. Malone et al; foreclosure. Demurrer to last amended bill.

John A. Smith and W. W. Foster, injunction. Continued.
Lydia Craig vs. Laphene Craig et al; chancery. Dismissed from docket.

Elias Ehlinger vs. Augusta Ehlinger; divorce. Dismissed by plaintiff.
H. M. Palen vs. James G. Bentley et al; lien. Referred to Master and continued.

Hannah M. Myers vs. Henry Bishop et al; chancery. Dismissed from docket.
The report of the master in the case of Mills & Harry vs. Frank Dennis et al, was approved and decree granted.

Fred. Abbott vs. J. H. Durfee and W. W. Foster; injunction. Continued.
N. Heavely vs. Henry Dauer et al; chancery. Stricken.

John A. Brown vs. Margaret C. Thomas; foreclosure. Continued.
J. K. Warren, executor, &c., vs. B. K. Durfee; chancery. Continued.

Susan Miller vs. Samuel Miller; chancery. Stricken.
James L. Blackford vs. Jennie Blackford; divorce. Continued for service.

Emily Thomas et al. vs. Anne Clough et al; chancery. Continued for service.
O. F. Emery vs. F. B. Turner and L. S. Turner; foreclosure. Continued.

John F. Holmes vs. Margaret and Bedy N. Holmes; chancery. Referred to master.
Martha Richardson vs. John Richardson; chancery. Continued.

John A. Ritter et al. vs. A. Bradley et al; chancery. Referred to master.
Elias Daniel et al. vs. The Golden Mt. Co.; chancery. Continued for service.

Charles W. Seiwel vs. Rufus Crossman et al; foreclosure. Defendants not answering defaulted; referred to master.

DIVORCE CASE.

The divorce case of Aramenter Aler against William H. Aler, was called this afternoon, Cress & Ewing appearing for the plaintiff and I. A. Buckingham and Nelson & Harneberger for the defendant. The case, which has been pending for some time, will be warmly contested. The plaintiff alleges cruelty in her bill.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28.

Court convened at 8 a. m. PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

Frank Myers, Daniel McDonald, Henry McDonald, Orestes McDonald, John Bigger, Charles Vaughn, each fined \$20 for failing in Austin township to replenish their fines and save security in \$50 each.

Charles W. Seiwel was in court and pleaded his fine of \$40 for selling liquor to a minor, and gave D. W. Brennan as security for \$100.

Armenter Aler vs. W. H. Aler; divorce. Case called for trial, but continued to December term, because of absence of important witnesses.

Bidget Carroll vs. Patrick Carroll; divorce and injunction. The defendant was brought into court on an attachment. He was discharged and the cause was stricken from the docket.

Iowa Weather.

SUTHERLAND, O'BRIEN CO., IOWA, Jan. 23, 1885.

REPUBLICAN.—Thinking it might be interesting to you and some of the readers of the REPUBLICAN to know what kind of weather we have been having I will give you a report of the 31 days commencing Dec. 23d:

Below.	Above.	Days Below.	Days Above.
Dec. 23	30	1	0
" 24	24	1	0
" 25	28	1	0
" 26	30	1	0
" 27	30	1	0
" 28	14	1	0
" 29	8	1	0
" 30	10	1	0
" 31	40	1	0
Jan. 1	40	1	0
" 2	40	1	0
" 3	10	1	0
" 4	10	1	0
" 5	10	1	0
" 6	10	1	0
" 7	17	1	0
" 8	10	1	0
" 9	10	1	0
" 10	20	1	0
" 11	25	1	0
" 12	25	1	0
" 13	25	1	0
" 14	18	1	0
" 15	20	1	0
" 16	20	1	0
" 17	40	1	0
" 18	40	1	0
" 19	45	1	0
" 20	28	1	0
" 21	28	1	0
" 22	12	1	0

Number of days with temperature above 12; number of days with temperature below 18; number of days with temperature 40 and below; 4; number of days 50 and below; 11; number of days 20 and below; 16; number of days 10 and below; 18; mean average below 42; 19 days. Number of days above 12; number of days 20 and above; 8; number of days 10 and above; 0; mean average above 14; mean average from Dec. 22 to Jan. 23, 3 below.

It seems hardly credible, yet you see teams constantly, all times of day, passing. My stock is turned into an open yard daily, where it remains about six hours. My teams have been in harness nearly every day, and my right hand horse has never once this winter come to the house to warm. I have heard of no one freezing, and stock in this section looks quite well. I have a cow a year old that weighs 822 lbs and made a daily gain of 3.28 per day. One seven months old Jan. 6 weighs 66 lbs; a daily gain of 2.47. Top head, average age 4 months and 14 days, average weight 228 lbs. I think this a good stock country, healthy for man or beast. As Johnny said to-day when he came to dinner with the thermometer 20 below and the wind from the south, "if this is a balmy breeze from the south, it has a Manitoba flavor." Yours truly, C. M. Cass.

Bankers' and Merchants' Mardi Gras Excursion to New Orleans.

The Illinois Central R. R. will run a Bankers' and Merchants' Palace Car Excursion to New Orleans, leaving Decatur at 5:45 p. m., February 10, 1885. Fare for the round trip, \$17.00. Return tickets good for forty days. Tickets for New Orleans and points in Florida and Texas limited to June 1st, will also be sold for this trip. His most loyal subjects, "King Rex," followed by all his loyal subjects, will parade the streets of New Orleans, Tuesday, February 17th, arranged in gorgeous oriental costumes and presenting to northern people a street scene such as cannot be witnessed anywhere in America except in New Orleans during the Mardi Gras carnival. The excursion will arrive at New Orleans five days in advance of the usual Mardi Gras rush, and enable every one to secure rooms and hotel accommodations at reasonable prices in desirable localities. A detour will be made to Santa Christina, Bior, the oldest city on the Gulf coast, Beauvoir, the home of Jefferson Davis, and Mobile, the city of "Live Oaks," where are yet to be seen trenches, earth works, and other reminders of the late war. We shall do our best to furnish and secure accommodations for this excursion, but must insist that applications for berths, accompanied by the price of same, be made to me not later than Feb. 21.

For full particulars apply to the undersigned at Manchester, Iowa. J. F. MERRY, 234 West 1st. Gen. West. Pass. Agt.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Hiel, on Sunday, a son.

Mr. Lamberson, of New York, is in the city visiting Mrs. J. A. Dawson.

Dr. E. W. Moore finds himself pretty busy "catching up" since he returned home from Texas and New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Batshelder, of Warrensburg, and B. K. Wilson, of Friends Creek, were among the Macon county people who took in the Farmers' excursion to New

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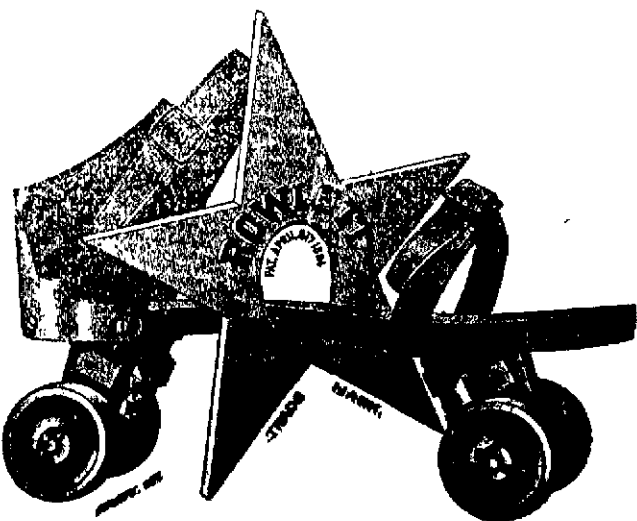
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The Georgia Bonanza.
 The Georgia people have been thrown into a fever of excitement by the publication of the following report:

For several weeks past a party of Boston scientists have been engaged in making a test of the silver and gold mines in the Cohutta mountains in North Georgia. They have made their report, which has thrown Chattanooga and surrounding country into a frenzy of excitement. Mr. Jerome Prince, of Boston, and Chas. Harness, of San Francisco, are the gentlemen who made the test. They state that, beyond any question, this strike is worth more to Georgia than all of her manufacturing industries, and that a great capital in Boston is waiting the result of their test to come at once and open the mines. They say that the assay will run 50 per cent and over, and that the vein is over 1,500 feet wide, and runs clear through the mountain, which is about eight or nine miles long. The gentlemen have opened mines in Nova Scotia, Colorado and California, and compute this one to be worth any ten they ever assayed. Mr. Prince states that \$20,000,000 would not buy the mines. A smelter will be erected at Dalton, Ga.

PRESIDENT-ELECT CLEVELAND, like all cautious persons unacquainted with public life and public men, who are placed in conspicuous positions, is moving very leisurely in mapping out his plans, and in considering his first official steps. If he does not look out, his impatient followers will soon begin to apply to him the regulation phrase, "Grover the Unready." It may be taken for a fact that for an executive officer to wait too long in making good appointments is almost as disastrous as too great haste in making bad appointments. The manly proverb relating to "crossing a bridge before you come to it" has ruined more political fortunes than the utmost prudence has ever made. In the case of a high officer he has not to wait to come to any "bridge," events and emergencies are not at fixed places, like landmarks along a highway; but they arise when called for, and appear when required. The man in great station must have boldness equal to his prudence, and sagacity as great as his caution. Timidity, indecision and delay are the worst enemies to the fame of great leaders either in war or peace.—*Chi. Journal.*

The course pursued by the Democrats in regard to the proposed restoration of Gen. Grant to his old rank in the army and his retirement upon full pay is a most despicable exhibition of party malice. The bill insisted upon by Gen. Sherman and the Military Committee in the House, instead of the Edmunds bill which passed the Senate, is intended to embarrass the President and defeat the whole project. The fact is the Democrats are determined that the General of the Civil War shall receive no recognition from the Government for his eminent services unless they can secure at the same time the whitewashing of a Democratic officer who was court-martialed and cashiered for what amounted to treason. It is a petty piece of spite work, and the Democrats are very much mistaken if they think they can indulge in these reminiscences of Copperhead and doughface tactics without drawing down upon them the contempt of the people.

A Walking Skeleton.
 Mr. E. Springer, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., writes: "I was afflicted with lung fever and abscess on lungs, and reduced to a walking skeleton. Got a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which did me so much good that I bought a dollar bottle. After using three bottles, found myself once more a man, completely restored to health, with a hearty appetite, and a gain in flesh of 48 pounds." Call at Swearingen & Hubbard's drug store and get a free trial bottle of this certain cure for all Lung Diseases. Large bottles \$1.00.

The railroad earnings of the sixty-five principal roads of this country for the year 1884 aggregated \$285,613,710, a decrease of about \$10,000,000 from 1883. In England the shrinkage in traffic during the past year was very marked, the falling off in revenue being much greater than in the United States.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.
 The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chubblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Swearingen & Hubbard.

GOVERNOR MARMADUCE, of Missouri, is the only State Executive in the country who has a valet, and this leads the *Globe Democrat* to remark that while Missouri has a large debt and Illinois a surplus of \$3,000,000, the constituents of Senator Vest still have reason to be proud.

A new line of Boys' and Children's Overcoats at B. Stine's.

Queen Victoria and Prince Beatrice will go to Germany in March, and they will remain on the continent three weeks.

Successful Treatment of Diphtheria.
 Dr. Seldén, of Stockholm, relates his method of treating diphtheria by the cyanide of mercury employing a solution of one-tenth grain to the ounce, of which, to older children and adults, a teaspoonful is given every hour, or half hour, day or night; the patient also gargles frequently with the solution. In cases of threatened heart-failure there is given, in addition, some Tokay wine, and in desperate cases there is added to this a tablespoonful of oil of turpentine in a cup of milk. Great stress is laid upon the treatment during convalescence—fresh air, a nourishing diet and strict confinement in bed being insisted upon. Under the fulfillment of these conditions Dr. Seldén lost but three out of the large number of sixty-one cases of contagious diphtheria which he treated.

I HAVE been bothered with catarrh for about twenty years. I could not tell how many different remedies I have tried, and none seemed to reach my case like Ely's Cream Balm. I had lost my smell entirely for the last fifteen years, and I had almost lost my hearing. My eyes were getting so dim I had to get some one to thread my needles. Now I have my hearing as well as I ever had, and I can see to thread as fine a needle as I ever did, and my smell is perfectly restored, and it seems to be improving all the time. I think there is nothing like Ely's Cream Balm for Catarrh. I always had a trouble with my throat and a little hacking cough, and I am almost well of that. Mr. E. E. Grimes, 67 Valley St., Renning, Perry Co., Ohio. 15-dec&w2w

The Trouble with Ireland.
 Actually overheard at a dinner table in Ireland: "The cause of trouble in our unhappy land is that the whole country is full of absentees—d'ye understand? We shall have no release until we're rid of the whole bunch of them, and as I understand ye're an American and a friend of the old country, I want to tell you, sorr, that wan half the lies they tell about us are not thrue."

YOUNG MEN—HEAD THIS.
 THE VOLTAIC BALM Co., of Marshall, Mich., offer to send their celebrated ELEMTOPO VOLTAIC BALM and other ELEMTOPO APPLIQUES on trial for thirty days, to men (young or old) afflicted with nervous debility, loss of vitality and manhood, and all kindred troubles. Also for rheumatism, neuralgia, paralysis, and many other diseases. Complete restoration to health, vigor and manhood guaranteed. No risk is incurred, as thirty days trial is allowed. Write them at once for illustrated pamphlet free. dec18-dec&wlyr

The chivalry of the American people, particularly of the Southern portion, is shown in resenting any fling at Jefferson Davis. They so dearly love the softer sex that they can never forget that on one occasion at least the gentle Jeff wore a hoop skirt. As for General Sherman, he has kissed so many pretty girls that he very naturally has a great contempt, if not a positive abhorrence, for an old granny.

At the Old Place.
 I desire to inform the public that I am again in the boot and shoe business on my own hook, at the old stand, No. 152 East Main street, where, with an ample stock of new and seasonable goods, I am ready to supply all calls for boots, shoes, and everything in that line. Thankful to my old friends for their patronage in the past, I respectfully solicit their future favors, confident of my ability to suit them. W. F. BENNETT. Jan8-d&wmo

A MADISON county girl wrote to her cousin in Brooklyn to come up and spend a month on the farm; they were going to have hunking bees and dead loads of fun. The Brooklyn girl replied that she would not come, as the last time she was there she was stung by a horrid bee, and didn't want any more of it.—*Brooklyn Times.*

The best on earth, can truly be said of Grange's Glycerine Salve, which is a sure, safe and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner. dec8-ly

The discovery of a peculiar wild beast, near Vincennes, Ind., with a face and head like a negro, and the body of a lizard, affords gratifying evidence that no matter what the bonded whisky men may accomplish or fail to accomplish in Washington, the favorite Indiana fluid has lost none of its old-time power.

Read All
 The advertisements in this paper, but when you want Gents' Underwear, Shirts, Collars, etc., come see us. We sell such goods at about the price most merchants pay for them. LANN & SORREGE. d18-d&wtf

General Sherman's recent epigram: "No nation can put fidelity and treachery on a par and survive," would seem to show that a good many people have been mistaken in thinking that the General was a Democrat.

J. W. BAKER is receiving new Shoes, bought for cash, at prices that will enable him together with his light expenses, to give you the best bargains in the city. Remember the place, between Lyon's grocery and Cole's drug store, on Merchant street. Jan9-d&wtf

CALL at B. Stine's for Christmas presents, comprising silk suspenders, silk handkerchiefs, in foreign and domestic fabrics, at reasonable prices. d&wtf

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.
 —To be sprightly, live rightily, eat lightly, rest nightly, very quietly and long.
 —It is poor economy to neglect making the most manure out of what grows on the farm. Vegetable manures, never fail to fertilize the soil and add to the enlargement of crops.
 —Keep your fowls tame if you want them to be profitable. Fowls that are often frightened by the owner or allowed to be chased by dogs are, as a general thing, not very profitable.
 —An old Derby hat may be converted into a dainty work basket. Cover the outside with shirred satin of any color and tie a broad band of the same about the crown, with a bow and ends on one side. Line the inside with any pretty material, and make a handle of twisted ribbon.—*Handy Housewife.*
 —When a horse refuses to eat he should not be made to do any more service that day, for it may be known that he is tired out or sick. It is barbarous to compel a horse to perform labor when in such a condition that he refuses grain, yet it is often done, and by men too who think they are merciful.—*Toledo Blade.*

The warning against the use of foul water by human beings applies equally well to the case of domestic animals. The health of those creatures is often seriously affected by the bad water they are obliged to drink, and in the case of cows the injury may be transmitted through their milk to the human consumers thereof.—*Albany Journal.*

A small cake to be eaten fresh for tea is made of half a cup of butter, two cups of sugar beaten together, two eggs, half a cup sweet milk, one and one-half cups of flour, one teaspoonful and a half of baking powder, stir in one cup of well-washed, drained and dried English currants; if they are not quite dry sprinkle a little flour over them.—*Boston Budget.*

Bread and butter fritters are delicacies that children appreciate. Make a batter of sweet milk, egg and flour, just as if for muffins. Cut some slices of bread rather thin, and so thick that there is no danger of their crumbling. Spread them with butter and half of them with jam. Put the plain half over the other, then cut them in squares or in round pieces. Dip them into the batter and fry them in hot lard. Drain them well, and while they are still hot sitz powdered sugar over them.—*The Household.*

Roiled beefsteak is a very good way of cooking an inferior steak. Take a round steak, beat it and spread with a dressing, such as is used for poultry. Begin at one end and roll it neatly, trying to keep it in shape. Put it in a bake pan with a little water, and bake until the meat is tender, basting it frequently. Thicken the gravy in the pan with a little flour wet with cold water, and season it nicely, adding a little catsup or sauce of some kind. Pour it around the meat. Cut it as you would a berry-roll, slicing off the ends neatly.—*Prairie Farmer.*

Mrs. Patti wrote in a Boston album the other day: "Go to strangers for charity, acquaintances for advice, and to relatives for nothing, and you will always have a supply."

Boston has a skating-rink whose proprietor will not allow colored people on the floor. Several suits under the civil rights law have been entered against him.
 —New York justice seems to have the classic quality of blindness. A young man was recently arrested in a theater for wearing false whiskers, while his near neighbors, ladies with false hair and gentlemen with false teeth, were subject to no suspicion.

Washington, D. C., has a "teacher of memory," who claims that in a few lessons he will enable one to remember the most difficult things without effort.

By a new system of telegraphic shorthand, developed by an Italian, and called the "steno-telegraph," it is claimed that 10,000 words per hour can be transmitted.

The price of lots in a new Dakota town has been advancing at the rate of \$25 for every saloon opened up within its precincts.

A report that General Grant is suffering from what seems to be cancer of the tongue, caused by excessive smoking, is denied.

One million dollars of gold coin weigh 3,685 pounds avoirdupois.

The longest continuous fiber known is that of silk. An ordinary cocoon of a well-fed silkworm will often reel 1,000 yards.

One million dollars of silver coin weigh 58,920 pounds avoirdupois.

Until 1778 cotton-spinning was performed by the hand spinning wheel.

It is said that a Hagston, Md., blacksmith, with the assistance of two apprentices, rough shod 148 horses in ten hours.

Six millions of dollars' worth of silver is used in this country every year for manufacturing and decorative purposes.

It is estimated that the silver taken from the Comstock mine would load a wagon train 547 miles in length.

President Arthur is said never to have visited the State, War and Navy Department buildings.

Statistics show that women graduate are about a year older than men on the average.

In the Sahara Desert rain falls in torrents at intervals of five, ten and twenty years.

Measure 200 feet on each side and you will have a square acre within an inch.

Albert Durer gave the world a prophecy of future wood engraving in 1527.

The first complete sewing machine was patented by Elias Howe in 1846.

"No," said the Vermont deacon, "I don't approve of boss racin'," and when another member of the church becomes so Godless as to try to pass me on the road comin' home from meetin', I feel it my duty to let out a little on the reins, just to keep him from puttin' his trust in earthly things."

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

CURE SICK HEADACHE.

Stick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, etc. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

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Acho they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick headache

ACHE

In the bone of so many lives that there is where we make our great boast. Our pills cure it where others do not.

Carter's Little Liver Pills are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills make a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not grip or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them. In vials at 25 cents; six for 50 cents. Sold by druggists everywhere, or sent by mail.

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 Of all kinds taken in exchange for goods.
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same as an incorporated bank. Buy and Sell Exchange, Receive Deposits, Discount Business Paper,

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Loans made payable in installments if desired. A-1

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Our stock is not demoralized but embraces large quantities of the most desirable merchandise in the market. Conspicuous among them are: An elegant lot of

LADIES', MISSES' AND CHILD'S

Cloaks and Winter Wraps,

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Underwear and Hosiery,

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Knit and Crotchet Goods, Ladies' Flannel Skirts, Gloves, Corsets, Cantons, Jeans, Flannels,

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Of Every Description,

Plain and Plaid Dress Flannels, Silks, Velvets, &c., &c., &c. We quote no prices, but invite you to

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140, 142, 144 and 146, South Main St.
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May 27, 1885—dwt

LOCAL NEWS.

In the vicinity of Blue Mound it is reported that the peach crop has been ruined by severe cold weather.

ELDER WILDER has been assisting Rev. Horney in conducting a successful Methodist revival at Assumption.

The Sangamon county poor house is full to overflowing. It has at present 106 inmates.

The Wabash made a good showing for 1884, running behind but \$200,000 as compared with \$3,500,000 for 1883.

EVANGELIST PORTER has finished his revival labors at Peoria and is now at Chicago for a few days. He will reach Decatur about the 31st.

At Mt Zion dealers pay \$4.25 for hogs; 81 and 39 cents for corn, and 25½ cents for oats. These prices make trade decidedly brisk at this station.

The Illinois Central directors have just declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent, payable March 1. A surplus of 1 per cent will be carried to their credit next year.

TUSCUMBA and Arcola have each, we understand, raised the sum of \$15,000 for the establishment of creameries, which will go into operation at as early a day as practicable.

HOG CHOLERA is still raging near Illinois. Frank Warren's flock of hogs are being gradually reduced. Mr. North has spent in the neighborhood of \$100 to save his herd, but without good results.

An express train of eight cars is valued at \$60,700. The engine is valued at \$10,500; the baggage car at \$1,000; the postal car at \$2,000; the smoker at \$2,200; the two common passenger cars at \$3,000 each, and the three palace cars at \$15,000 each.

A young miss of sixteen asks what is the proper thing for her to do when she is serenaded by a party of gentlemen at a late hour. We are glad to be able to answer the question. Steal softly down stairs and untie the dog.—Ex.

JOHN C. LOWRY, an old merchant of Monticello, died suddenly Tuesday noon. He was a captain in the 107th Illinois Regt. He built the Platt county court house and other buildings, and also the south school house at Monticello. He leaves a widow and four children.

Nor long ago Lutz & Wise had a fine organ ruined in a wreck on the P. D. & E. road near Carmi. The firm give thanks to the company for the prompt payment of their claim in full. It was secured through the local agent, Mr. L. C. Hevey.

There is in circulation a very dangerous counterfeit of the silver dollar, bearing dates from 1878 to 1884. It is made of white metal plated with silver, is but little short in weight, and has passed through the hands of many bankers without detection.

The Chicago Daily News has issued a reliable and complete Year Book almanac for 1885, containing tabulated election returns including 1884, and much other valuable information. The REPUBLICAN is indebted to the News for a copy. The book sells at 10 cents.

In the U. S. circuit court at Springfield this week another of the alleged Litchfield counterfeiters of silver coin was tried by jury. Silas Foster is his name. The jury failed to agree on a verdict. There is said to be a full nest of shovers of the queer at Litchfield.

JUSTICE CURTIS is engaged in preparing a book of interest to justices of the peace which he will have published in due time. It will contain a great variety of forms for writing up judgments on dockets and thousands of useful hints. The forms will be arranged so they can be used in any state. The book ought to go off like hot cakes.

The highest price paid for hogs in Chicago during the past eleven years was in September, 1875, \$10; the lowest, Dec., 1878, \$2.45. Highest price of corn during 18 years, October, 1867, \$1.12 per bushel; lowest, June, 1873, 27 cents. Highest price of wheat in 18 years, December, 1867, \$1.90; lowest, December, 1884, 50 cents.

NEAR Danville this week a church caught fire from a defective fuse just as a funeral service was commenced with the house full of people. The church was entirely consumed; loss, \$3,000. The corpse was hastily removed and the funeral was held at the grave.

An effort was made to indict Wm. H. Burns for the attempted assassination of Orrin A. Carpenter. The grand jury refused to entertain the proposition, which if carried out would have involved new complications and awakened unpleasant memories in the great tragedy.—Lincoln Journal.

Progressive. Push on, go ahead, press forward, advancing, undeviating; driving, impulsive, resolute, sleepless, tireless, dashing, prompt pay, bold, skillful, constant, energetic, patient, confident, modern, enterprising shoe store of L. L. Farnum & Co, jan10-dwt

PARTIES who are called upon to hitch up horses during the cold weather should always take pains to warm the bits, either by heating near a stove, or by rubbing them until the frost is out. It is inhuman to compel a dumb beast to take iron into its mouth which removes the skin as though it was hot. Just try it once yourself, and see how you like it.

ALL Shoes wet or soiled will be sold at about half price at J. W. Baker's new shoe store, Merchant St. jan9 dwt

"Burn this Letter."

DECATUR, ILL. Jan. 24, 1885.
REPUBLICAN:—I have received the following printed circular through the mail, addressed to me, and as I am not that kind of a cat, and have not been, I presume there must be some mistake, and as I do not know any other man of my name in this city or county I hand it to you for publication, hoping that it will thus reach the person for whom it was intended,
S. O. SHIVELY.

[PRIVATE.]
DECATUR, ILL., Jan. 18, 1885.
MR. S. O. SHIVELY—Dear Sir:—The Democratic County Central Committee in debt for Campaign of 1884, to the following parties:
Closs, Griewold & Co. 25 00
Jack & Mier. 25 00
Andy Shoemaker 40 00
Pratt & Co. 40 00
W. H. Hart 5 00
Tim. Nagle 5 00
Cash on hand 28 00
Balance due \$181 55
You are assessed \$1 to help pay the same. Please call at once at I. W. Korman's, or upon the undersigned, and pay this amount.
"Burn, burn, burn this letter!"
Respectfully, J. R. MILLER,
Treasurer.

Priest & Gordon's Loss.
A correspondent writing of the destruction by fire of Priest & Gordon's \$25,000 flouring mill at Mt. Pulaski says that several hundred sacks of flour and other light articles alone were saved. The safe in the office went with the general destruction. The boiler in the boiler house escaped, however, with little damage. The foundation walls, the boiler room walls and the stack remain solid and intact. All else is destroyed, including 5,000 or 6,000 bushels of wheat and about 75 barrels of flour. The safe went down with the floor. The contents were so charred that they could not be handled. The writing and printing is seriously obliterated. The fire is considered a public calamity by the Mt. Pulaski people.

Mr. Gastman President.
At the office of Miss S. E. Raymond at the high school in Bloomington yesterday afternoon was held a meeting of the board of directors of the Illinois State Teachers' Reading Circle, which society was organized at a meeting of professors and educators held in December last at Springfield. The board of directors comprises Supt. E. A. Gastman, of Decatur; Prof. John Hall, of Carbondale; Prof. John Cook, of Normal; Supt. Shawhan, of Champaign; Miss Raymond, of this city, and Mrs. Emory, superintendent of the Peoria county schools. At the meeting yesterday all were present but Mr. Shawhan. The meeting was presided over by the president, Prof. Gastman, and Prof. Hall officiated as secretary. The purpose of this society is to prepare a course of professional reading for the teachers, and the plans will probably not differ very greatly from the Chatauque. It is proposed to arrange two courses, covering a period of two years' reading. The work was not completed yesterday on account of the shortness of the session. The meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the president.—Bloomington Pantagraph.

One Cent Damages.
The Zink-Beverly case, somewhat familiar to our readers, growing out of the celebrated Zink-Funk case, which has engaged the courts of Illinois for several years, was decided on Monday at Williamsport, in the Warren circuit court, after the second trial. It was based on an affidavit made by John Beverly, of Attica, evidence for the defense in the suit brought by Melissa Zink, of Attica, against George Funk, of Bloomington. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of Melissa Zink, assessing damages at one cent. The complainant again announced her determination to bring suit against Mr. Funk.—Danville Commercial.

Captured.
From Saturday's Daily.
Yesterday Marshal Mason received a telegram from St. Elmo notifying him of the capture at that place of Jim Williams, who is indicted here for the burglary of a store at Prairie Home last fall. Ras. Peterson pleaded guilty to the same offense and Judge Smith gave him a year at Joliet. There is the same evidence against Williams and he will have to go up the road. Williams will be brought here for trial.

Remnants! Remnants!
In lengths of 5 to 12 or 15 yards, in Dress Goods; a variety of colors and qualities, at from 5c per yard upwards. We are willing to take Half Price for any that you may select.
CHAP STONE.
Big 18. jan23 dwt

The Bank Officers.
The officers of the Decatur National Bank for the ensuing year are President, A. T. Hill; vice-president, D. S. Shellabarger; cashier, B. O. McReynolds; assistant cashier, Geo. W. Bright; directors—Messrs. Hill, Shellabarger, J. W. Haworth, D. W. Brennan, Geo. D. Haworth, N. A. White, J. M. Clokey, K. Harwood and K. H. Roby.

Another Rumor.
A man named D. L. Amerman, writes Circuit Clerk Rutenberg from Wellsboro, Kan., that he has a clue in the Zura Burns murder. He is desirous of knowing what the reward is, to whom the girl was engaged, and who she corresponded with. The opinion is that he belongs to the "crank" family.—Lincoln Journal.

10-4 WHITE BLANKETS at \$1.95 a pair at Linn & Scruggs. Dec. 18-dwt
A Philadelphia barber engages only men with the understanding that they remain silent, ask no questions and do not contradict the opinions of customers.
Gentle, fashionable
Call sewed 3½ shoe; none genuine without L. L. Farnum & Co.'s name stamped in the sole. Don't pay \$4.50 any more at other stores. Truly the millennium has come. jan10 dwt

MAN FROZEN TO DEATH.

Sad Sequel to a Dance Party—Billy Hallett the Victim.

Billy Hallett, aged 27, was frozen to death this morning on his way home in a bob sled from a dance at Mt. Auburn to Niantic. In company with a party of six he left Niantic last evening and after participating the dance, the Niantic young men started for home after 12 o'clock with the thermometer at 21 below zero, and facing a cutting northwest breeze. The distance was 12 miles. On the way Hallett, who was the driver of the horses, fell out of the sled, when it was first discovered that he was freezing. He was picked up out of the snow and wrapped in blankets and robes. He was still alive when the frightened party arrived at Niantic, and was at once placed in a warm bed in Lockhart's hotel. He died at about 8 o'clock this morning. The deceased's widowed mother, two sisters and a brother live west of Niantic. He has a brother, Zien Hallett, who resides near Decatur.

Several years ago Isaiah Hallett, the father of the deceased, was frozen to death in Calamus lake, near Niantic. His team got away from him, and as it was extremely cold he perished.

Coroner Perl was notified of the death and left for Niantic this forenoon in his cutter. He took plenty of robes with him to keep out the cold.

The Billy Hallett Inquest.
The facts connected with the freezing of William A. Hallett at Niantic yesterday morning were given in last evening's issue. Coroner Perl conducted the inquest at Niantic. The jurymen were Dr. J. H. Rice, Dr. Farris, Francis Smith, H. C. Danley, James T. Stein and T. S. Moon. The verdict was as follows: "From the best evidence obtainable, we find the deceased came to his death from exposure to the excessive cold in coming from Mt. Auburn in a sled, and further, it is our opinion that his death would not have occurred had it not been that he was somewhat under the influence of liquor at the time, or soon after leaving Mt. Auburn." The evidence brought out the fact that young Hallett, who was the driver of the bob-sled team, had been drinking liquor on his way home. He fell off the sled on the way home and was placed in the sled and covered with blankets. Arriving at Niantic Hallett was placed in a bed and left there. An hour later Dr. Rice was called to visit Hallett and the physician found him dead. Hallett was the support of his widowed mother. He was well respected and was considered a sober, steady young man.

Hurt in a Wabash Wreck.
From Saturday's Daily.
The Chicago express on the St. Louis branch of the Wabash road was partly wrecked below Mitchell at 9 o'clock last night, the cause being a broken rail. The engine, tender and express car left the rails and turned over on their sides. The speed of the train at the time was fifteen miles an hour. Archie McNeill, the engineer, had a leg broken near the ankle. He was brought to Decatur and removed to his home on East North street in a carriage. The fireman escaped unhurt. Express messenger Stewart, of this city, brother-in-law of Mr. Buckmaster, had a wrist badly sprained, and Frank Allen, of Chicago, baggage man, had his right arm broken. Allen had just stepped into the express to get a drink when the accident occurred. None of the passengers were injured. The wreck blocked the road, and delayed the arrival of all trains from St. Louis until after 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The Judicial Election.
The people of this judicial district, composed of the nine counties of Vermilion, Macon, Douglas, Champaign, Coles, Edgar, Moultrie, Piatt and Clark, will soon be called upon to elect three circuit judges. This election is one of great importance to the people of the district. Judge O. L. Davis, of Danville, Judge J. W. Wilkin, of Marshall, Judge C. B. Smith, of Champaign, present incumbents, will be candidates for re-election. They are all men of ripe experience and thoroughly acquainted with the practice of the district. They are dignified, painstaking, and popular with the bar, court officers and people, and there seems to be no necessity for a change.

You Can Have It.
"My dear, what would I give to have your hair?" is often said by middle-aged ladies to young ones. Madam, you may have just such hair. Parker's Hair Balsam will give it to you. It will stop your hair from falling off, restore the original color and make it long, thick, soft and glossy. You need not stand helplessly envying the girls. The Balsam is not oily, not a dye, but is an elegant dressing, and is especially recommended for its cleanliness and purity. jan10 dwt

An eclipse of the sun will be visible in this latitude on the 18th of March, beginning at 27 minutes past 11 o'clock in the forenoon and continuing to 2:12. On the 30th of the month there will be an eclipse of the moon, invisible here. Another eclipse of the moon will take place September 8th, visible in Australia and the southern portion of South America. On the 20th, twelve days later, a partial eclipse of the moon will be visible in these parts. It will begin 31 minutes past 12 a. m., and will end 57 minutes past 3.
Extra fine Smoking Jackets, to be had only at B. Stine's. dwt
—The St. Louis hotel keepers are frantically appealing to the Missouri Legislature for some legislative enactment protecting them against dead beats.

NOT GUILTY OF MURDER.

The Jury Acquits Lewis Rankin—Perjury Case on Trial.

ACQUITTAL OF RANKIN.
The jury in the murder case of The People against Lewis Rankin, charged with the killing of Martin Connolly, on September 9th, got the case soon after three o'clock Thursday afternoon, and after being out about ten minutes they brought in a verdict of not guilty, and the defendant was discharged, going home with his wife and children. The jurymen state that the evidence disclosed the fact plain to them that Rankin struck Connolly in self-defense, as any other man would have done under similar circumstances. The jury was unanimous in reaching a verdict of acquittal on the first vote. Rankin served in the late war, three months in the 17th Ill. Reg't; 18 months in the 56th Ill. Reg't, and 18 months in the 54th Ill. Reg't. He made a gallant soldier and has been a peaceable citizen. He was ably defended by Bunn & Park, while the prosecution, conducted by E. P. Vail and I. R. Mills, made out as strong a case as they could.
FINED \$25.
Moton T. Pennington, indicted for carrying concealed weapons, pleaded guilty and was fined \$25 and costs. Paid.
Charles Logan was fined \$50 for gaming.

Frank Shaffer and David Levy were each fined \$50 for gaming.
David Adams was fined \$40 for gaming.

PERJURY CASE.
The People vs. Christopher L. Robinson, perjury. Trial by jury. The jurymen were Jacob Sine, H. Singleton, Thom. Shaw, C. W. Graves, W. H. Cox, James Poor, John B. Garvin and B. F. Taylor. The case rested on the age of the defendant. He got a marriage license last fall, when he stated that he was 21 years of age. He bought a bill of goods from Bachman Bros., the contest for the payment of the same bringing out the alleged fact that Robinson was then but 20 years and 6 months old. Verdict of jury, defendant not guilty.

Ras Peterson, charged with burglary and larceny, asked for a continuance.

J. W. Knox, indicted for selling liquor without license, was granted a continuance.

Charles E. Eskridge pleaded guilty to burglary and larceny and was sentenced to the penitentiary for 5 years.

The People vs. Thomas Combs, selling liquor. Continued with alias.

The People vs. Robert Blane, obtaining property by false pretenses. Continued with alias.

The People vs. James Clark and Frank Sullivan, burglary and petit larceny. Trial by jury, pending.

PERSONAL MENTION.

John O. Lowry, the Monticello merchant who died of heart disease this week, was a brother-in-law of George Dempsey, of this city, and an uncle of Will Leiby, in business at La Crosse, Wis.

Captain Phelan, the Irish patriot, who was stabbed a few days since in O'Donovan Rossa's office, in New York, was a resident of Springfield in 1889, and was turnkey in the Sangamon county jail.

Henry Flood is still at New Orleans taking in the sights. Meeting a Decatur friend there recently, he commenced expatiating on the south and said: "The climate down here is worth \$25 an acre, but the land isn't worth a continental." Henry will hardly buy a farm in the south.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Lyon have returned from their pleasure trip to New Orleans and the World's Exposition. Mr. L. reports a fine exhibit, but says the charges for food and other comforts are exorbitant. The common price for a cup of coffee is 35 cents. Mr. and Mrs. Lyon by invitation visited the U. S. Man of War in company with Lieut. C. B. Moore.

Goodness!
Excellence, preciousness, rareness, transcendence, deliciousness, distinctness, agreeableness, sweetness, attractiveness, loveliness, exquisiteness, tony, durable, comfortable and cheap are those ladies' shoes at L. L. Farnum & Co.'s. jan10 dwt

—Mrs. A. T. Stewart was at a large reception in New York a few days ago, and wore a magnificent gown of peacock blue, trimmed with embroidery and finest lace. She also wore a mass of fringed golden hair on her forehead, and a wonderful display of diamonds on her head and various parts of her dress. Much of the evening she stood engaged in conversation with a beautiful Quakeress, who was attired in a rich drab satin with kerchief and cap of tulle, the two in such striking contrast making an interesting picture.

You can always save money by purchasing Window Materials and Carpets at Linn & Scruggs. 18-dwt

—The savings banks of Connecticut which are owned principally by small depositors, have \$10,822,000 invested in western railroad and municipal bonds.

REMEMBER J. W. Baker's new Shoe store on Merchant street, between Lyon's grocery and Cole's drug store. 9 dwt

—The life of 1,000 persons is now equal in duration to that of 1,000 persons previously, and 1,000 births will now keep up the growth of the world's population as well as 1,070 births used to do.

You will always find the best styles of Carpets at Linn & Scruggs. a18-dwt

—The workshop or smithy of a prehistoric armorer has been discovered on a steep rock by the sea on the southwest side of the peninsula of Quiberon (Brittany) which dates from the stone age.

ALL wool Red Plannel Undershirts and Drawers at 75c apiece at B. Stine's. dwt

Try and read Cheap Charley's advertisement. 7-dwt

GREAT NEW YORK FIRE STORE

HAS BEEN REMOVED TO

118 Merchant Street,

First Door North of Freeman's Shoe Store, where the stock will be sold LESS THAN COST TO MANUFACTURE.

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!

SOME OF THE BARGAINS:

Men's and Boys' Overcoats from \$2.00 up to the finest made.
Men's and Boys' Suits from \$3.00 up to the finest made.
Odd Pants from 50 Cents up to the finest made.
Overalls, 25 Cents and upwards.
Undershirts, 15 Cents and upwards.
Drawers, 15 Cents and upwards.
White Laundered Shirts, 40 Cents and upwards.
Blue Flannel Shirts, 50 cents and upwards.
Work Shirts, 25 Cents and upwards.
Winter Caps, 10 Cents and upwards.
Winter Gloves, 25 Cents and upwards.
Men's Fur Hats, \$1.00 and upwards.
Odd Coats and Vests cheaper than you ever saw them

Come at once or you will regret it
All goods sold for CASH ONLY.

NO. 118 MERCHANT STREET.

SIGN—Great New York Fire Store.

ONE WEEK MORE!

Cloaks and Millinery

—AT—

60 Cents on the Dollar!

—AND—

NET COST

—FOR—

Staple and Fancy Dry Goods,

Silks, Velvets,

Dress Goods,

Hosiery,

Neckwear, Etc.

You can't afford to miss this sale. CASH.

S. C. HATCH & BRO.,

Jan 12-d&wt 148 East Main Street Powers' Block

During the Holidays

WE WILL MAKE

SWEEPING REDUCTIONS

IN ALL GRADES OF

Gold and Silver Watches, Jewelry,

Silverware and all Fancy Goods.

We have too many goods on hand, and if low prices will be an inducement to buyers, we are determined to dispose of them.

Do not buy one dollar's worth of goods in our line until you have seen our stock and prices.

W. R. ABBOTT & CO.,

Dec. 20—d&wt

JEWELERS.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

—There are only seventy-four reflecting telescopes in the world.

—A thief who visited the house of Mr. Repligles, of Indiana, "took a bath, shaved, discarded his old suit, and put on Mr. Repligle's best."

—Prof. Tyndall condemns the London wood pavement as extremely injurious to the eyes and lungs. They are to be replaced by the macadam pavements.

—Hand-made envelopes cost originally five cents each. The envelope-making machine now turns them out so that a thousand are sold for thirty cents.

—Pretty little baskets for sending flowers by post are the latest English novelty. They are fastened with a padlock of which the sender and recipient each have keys.

—Four hundred and forty of the English Peers are landlords deriving the whole or the greater part of their revenues from land. Fifteen million acres of land, with an aggregate rent of nearly \$75,000,000, represent their property and income.

—Forty years ago there was not a telegraph office in existence, and the telephone as a medium of communication was undreamed of. To-day there are 51,840 telegraph offices in various portions of the world, and they are constantly increasing.—N. Y. Sun.

—A negro laborer, under contract to work for a Haywood County (Tenn.) farmer, deserted him and took service with a neighbor. A negro magistrate, who was applied to, issued a writ of replevin, attached the bolting laborer, and returned him to his first employer.—St. Louis Post.

—Two brothers had consumption. They were advised to live in a horse stable. One of them sold out his business and went to keeping a livery stable. The other did not change his mode of life. The one who got into the livery business lived; the other died. So says the Louisville Courier-Journal.

—There is one thing about American locomotives that has defied innovation, and that is the cow-catcher. Sometimes cow-catching engines, hand-capped with heavy trunks on up-grades, don't catch the cows at all, especially if the animals are frisky and under pretty good headway.—National Car-Builder.

—The new precious gem discovered a couple of years ago in a mine near Bridgewater, N. C., and known as the "Hiddenite," is said to be almost equal to the diamond. It is of a clear, beautiful grass-green tint, sparkles like a diamond, and is very hard. The gem has aroused much more interest in England than in this country.

—The London Saturday Review once saw a citizen of Philadelphia, and from that fact generalizes thus: "The Philadelphian is never in a hurry. He meanders up Chestnut street as if he had the paleozoic ages before him. He has a yearning for horse cars rather than elevated railways, in which New York delights, and he is nothing if not meditative. There is an abundance of blue blood in his veins, and he walks with a consciousness of innate royalty. In the summer he loves to linger."

—The most candid young man in town is Nicodemus Murphy. He called at the office of a wealthy citizen and said: "I want to marry your daughter. I can't live without her." "Are you acquainted with my daughter?" "Not in the least." "How, then, do you know that you can't live without her?" "Well, I heard you were going to give her lots of money when she married, and my personal expenses are so heavy I can't live without her—or some other woman who has got money to support a husband."—Chicago Tribune.

—The wild animals of the West which have vivified the small boy's visions of the Rockies are slowly disappearing. In California bears are not so abundant and are less hunted than formerly, perhaps because only the veteran bear hunter finds it safe business. The cinnamon bear is found only occasionally, and the grizzly is slowly disappearing. The California lion, or puma, does not appear to decrease in number, because he is rarely hunted for game, but it is probable that his days are also numbered.—Chicago Herald.

—The lengths of some of the longest bridges in the world are as follows: Montreal, 8,791 feet; Brooklyn, 5,389 feet; Dnieper, 4,213 feet; the new Havre de Grace bridge is 6,000 feet long; the new bridge at Homestead, near Pittsburgh, is 5,300 feet long. This is a decade of extensive railroad bridge building, and more of this kind of work is in progress at present than at any time for several years. With all the dullness in the iron trade, the bridge works and the mills making bridge iron are busy, and a great many railroad companies are preparing to erect iron structures in the place of wooden ones.

—She was a remarkably sensible young lady who made the request of her friends that after her decease she should not be buried by the side of a brook, where babbling lovers would wake her from her dreams; nor in any grand cemetery, where sight-seers, conning over epitaphs, might distract her, but be laid away to take her last sleep under the counter of some merchant who did not advertise in the newspapers. There, she said, was to be found peace surpassing all understanding—a depth of quiet slumber, on which neither the sound of the buoyant foot of youth nor the weary shuffle of old age would ever intrude.—Albany (Ga.) News.

—Situated one and a half miles north of Poundridge is a pretty little sheet of water called Trinity Lake. It is the source of supply for Stamford, Conn., fourteen miles away. There is a singular phenomenon connected with this lake which is not generally known, except to a few residents of this locality. It is what is called a floating island, a good-size body of land, which has for several years appeared at regular intervals near the center of the lake, and, after remaining upon the surface of the water for several days, sinking again to the bottom, about forty-five feet. No one has yet taken the trouble to investigate the phenomenon, and the country people have become so accustomed to it that they think little about it.—Hartford Courant.

NO POISON IN THE PASTRY



ARE USED.
Vanilla, Lemon, Orange, etc., Flavor Cakes, Creams, Puddings, etc., as delicately and naturally as the fruit from which they are made.
FOR STRENGTH AND TRUE FRUIT FLAVOR THEY STAND ALONE.

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Best Dry Hop Yeast.

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LIGHT HEALTHY BREAD



The best dry hop yeast in the world. Bread raised by this yeast is light, white and wholesome like our grandmother's delicious bread.

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Price Baking Powder Co.,
Chicago, Ill. St. Louis, Mo.

Farmers' Column.

PUBLIC SALE.

The undersigned will sell at public sale on the village farm, four miles east of Decatur and half a mile east of the Richmond road, on

Thursday, February 5th, 1885,
the following property: Two half a, w. r. r. acres, land, 1 thoroughbred sired station (good roadster) 3 arm wagons, rowl car, mowr, horse r ke 3 riding plows 2 walking plows, 4 culty tans, 2 sylvan bar ows, hand worn she h. 2 sylvan hay ladders 12 acle harnesses, a m. hay and oats, 1000 lbs wheat in the field, 8000 lbs rye, 40 sacks (odd) r. five from a out of a lot of young cattle, 100 good shorthorn sound bred sows, a d other articles. Sale to commence at 10 a m, when terms will be made known.
Dated S. H. THOMPSON.

For Sale
A few choice Poland bears and young sows which I will sell at bottom prices. Call soon if you desire to secure good hogs. My hogs are a 1 in good health.
Ja 18-wt JONES NYE.

MONEY TO LOAN on farm land at 7 per cent without commission. Apply to A. I. SUMMERS, over New York Store, Decatur, Illinois. Jan 11-wm

ON SALE—50 acs of land lying three miles north and one and a half west of Decatur, Ill. Good house, barn a d other improvements, 40 ac of bearing apple trees, soil good and plenty of stock water in each field. For further information call on or address Wm. J. Curtis & Co., Decatur, Ill. 2509 Oct 9, wmo.

TO BEE KEEPERS.
Hives, sections, foundations, smokers. Queens and Italian bees for sale.
Juno-wt K. A. GASTMAN, Decatur, Ill.

JOHN P. PARKER,
Breeder and Shipper of

Pure Bred Poland-China Hogs

All recorded in G. P. C. Record.
MARION, MACON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
Feb. 20, 1884—wly*

THE DECATUR FILE COMPANY.

SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that a special meeting of the Stockholders of "The Decatur File Company," has been called to meet at the office of a file company, in the Town of Decatur, Macon County, State of Illinois, at 2 o'clock p. m., on FRIDAY the SIXTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A. D. 1885, for the purpose of submitting to a vote of the Stockholders of said corporation the question of increasing the Capital Stock to Fifty Thousand shares.
J. HAWORTH,
J. G. SHREVE,
P. H. BRIDGES,
Directors.
Jan. 15, 1885—wly

FARM FOR SALE.

The undersigned, intending to go west, offers for sale his farm of 80 acres, which is in a fine new cultivation, well tilled, and all in crops but 5 acres. Good house and barn and other improvements. Also 40 acres near St. Louis church. The farm is located 5 mi. north west of Decatur in section 1 of Harrison townships. For prices and further information call on or address J. NYE, Box 28, Decatur. Oct 8-wt

L. FLEURY,

the French Cutter,

FASHIONABLE

MERCHANT

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NO. 158 MERCHANT ST.

North of Henry Lyon's Grocery Store,

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Jan. 1—d&wt

LET ME

WHISPER IN YOUR EAR

That Fred. Norman, the Barber, is selling Star and Horseshoe Tobacco at 50 cents per pound, and tickets to the grand donation thrown in the bargain.

NORMAN'S 10-CHAIR BARBER SHOP,

One Door East of Postoffice, DECATUR, ILLS.

Jan 21, 1885—wt

Our Great Sale is Over!

We converted the amount of goods we wanted to and have

RAISED the \$10,000

WE WANTED.

Our stock looks as it should in January in every department, and yet you don't miss the \$10,000 worth very much except in our Silverware cases.

We will offer some very decided

BARGAINS IN WATCHES

During the balance of January.

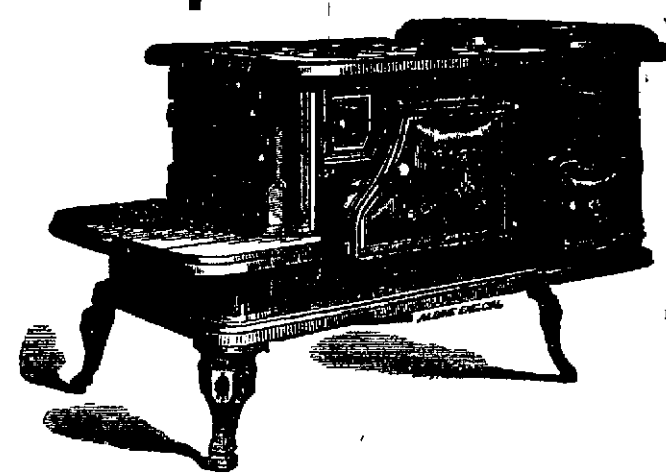
Our vault was overloaded with Fine Watches, and after we sold during our sacrifice sale 500 Watches, gold and silver, we find that in that department alone we still have more than we want in

JANUARY OF A DULL YEAR.

Respectfully,

Otto E. Curtis & Co.

Champion Monitor!



"GARLAND!"



The two Best Cook Stoves on Earth.

SOLD ONLY BY

FERGUSON & DILLEHUNT

The Weekly Republican.

Published at the postoffice at Decatur, Illinois, as second class mail matter.

The Chicago Herald (democratic) sees signs of coming prosperity. It says: "Democrats who have their eyes on fat offices seem to think that the revival of prosperity will date from March 4 or thereabouts."

The Secretary of War has issued orders to the General of the Army to remove at once the adventurers who have invaded that portion of Indian Territory known as "Oklahoma" with the object of settling upon the Indian lands. Accordingly General Sheridan has ordered reinforcements to be sent to General Hatch for this purpose.

The paved street complaint is assuming the form of an epidemic in Decatur, and everybody is catching it. There is some degree of healthfulness in such signs, but it would be well to go a little slow. To pave is good, but to know where the money is to come from with which to pay the bills is a very necessary prerequisite. It would not be good economy to pave the whole city in a single year, much as we might desire to have it done.

Mrs. E. H. Green, "the Queen of Wall Street," whose fabulous wealth has been much talked of recently, went to the office of her suspended bankers, John J. Oisco & Son, the other day, to see what had become of the stocks and bonds which she had given them for safe keeping. The strong box was placed in her hands and she counted out \$25,000,000, all safe and secure. She also had a cash deposit of some \$800,000 with the house, which must go in with the claims of all the other depositors.

ILLINOIS has not yet had for governor a citizen who was born in the state. Of the eighteen persons who have occupied the gubernatorial chair two were born in Maryland, Bond and Edwards; one in Virginia, Coles; two in Pennsylvania, Reynolds and Ford; seven in Kentucky, Ewing, Duncan, Carlin, Yates, Oglesby, Palmer and Cullum; one in New Hampshire, French; four in New York, Wood, Matteson, Bissell and Beveridge; and one in Ohio, Hamilton.

None have been more severe in denouncing political "assessments" than the average Democratic politician, and none seem more ready to resort to it than these same Democrats, when necessity seems to demand extraordinary means. The plan of "assessing" the members of the party to make up a campaign deficiency has its advantages, of course, but the bosses ought to be careful not to "assess" the enemy, especially when the enemy has been defeated, for in such cases it is found to be difficult to enforce collection.

The following United States Senators were elected on the 21st: Geo. G. Vest, Missouri; Wm. M. Evarts, New York; O. H. Platt, Connecticut; Daniel W. Voorhees, Indiana; Jonathan Chase, Rhode Island; J. D. Cameron, Pennsylvania; Z. B. Vance, North Carolina; Wilkinson Call, Florida; Henry M. Teller, Colorado. In Arkansas there was no choice. In Illinois the legislature is not yet organized, thanks to the stupidity of the Democratic majority in the house, so that the election of a successor to Gen. Logan is yet a matter for the future to decide.

The law in relation to any subject is never so well settled that new questions may not arise. In one of the English courts a life-insurance case was recently tried, involving the liability of the company, where the wife of the insured man had broken a bottle holding carbolic acid, and to save part of its contents had poured them into an empty bottle with a whisky label on it. Her husband on coming home found his whisky bottle partly full, and drank a liberal dram, with the remark that "it was bloomin' bad rum," and then lay down and died. The jury on the trial disagreed as to whether this was such a case of suicide as effected a cancellation of the dead man's life insurance policy.

The city of Washington, basing its estimate upon the new city directory, claims a population of 200,000.

The Republicans of Wheeling, W. Va., elected their candidate for Mayor the other day, for the first time in a quarter of a century.

NELLIE HORAN, the young lady accused of poisoning her sister at Whitewater, Wis., has had a preliminary hearing, and has been held for trial. The evidence is said to be very strong.

It is estimated that 100,000 men, previously unemployed, have obtained work in manufacturing enterprises since Jan. 1. In addition to these a large number of miners—10,000 in one Pennsylvania county—have resumed work within the last few weeks.

Mrs. CORNELL, the wife of ex Governor Cornell, of New York, describes Miss Cleveland, the sister of President-elect Grover Cleveland, who is to be the mistress of the White House, as a lady of rare culture and attainments, whom she regards as admirably qualified to discharge the important social duties which will fall to her lot.

The wool-growers of Ohio are still unhappy in regard to the reduction of the tariff on foreign wools. They have adopted resolutions "calling upon all industries in the United States to unite for common protection against the 'fallacy' of tariff for revenue only, urging them to oppose the Spanish treaty, and calling upon the wool-growers to unite in a demand for the restoration of the tariff of 1867 on wool, pledging them to support the party which recognized their interest and demand."

CHICAGO cheek is proverbial, and a good many sharp things have been said on the subject, but the following from the New York Sun is about the best we have seen lately. "There has been some talk about the diversion of business from Chicago to its rivals. Chicago is all right. Her citizens haven't lost those remarkable business qualities which have made Chicago shine among cities like an apple in a roast pig's mouth. A Chicago 'organization' has offered to be present at the inauguration ceremonies provided the committee having those matters in hand will pay all their (the Chicago people's) expenses from the time of leaving home until their return. There is nothing mean about Chicago."

SOME time ago a New York publishing house requested information from the interior department touching the increase of membership of the Mormon church from 1850 to 1880. In reply the census bureau states that the census of 1880 contained the only reliable record of the number of Mormons in the United States, the previous inquiries having elicited information only in regard to the number of church organizations and number of sittings. From these inquiries it appears that in 1850 there were 16 church organizations and 10,880 sittings; in 1860, 24 organizations and 13,500 sittings; 1870, 189 organizations and 25,838 sittings; and 1880, 208 organizations and 65,262 sittings. The actual membership of the Mormon church, according to the census of 1880, was 79,886.

GENERAL ROSECRANS has opposed by indirect but fatal means the bill authorizing the President to place General Grant on the retired list of the army. In 1864, General Grant expressed to Secretary Stanton the opinion that the public safety required the removal of General Rosecrans from his army command, and the assignment of some other officer to his place. At one time General Grant even regarded Rosecrans as having been so inactive and to have so neglected his duty that he ought to be placed under arrest. General Rosecrans has said a great deal about the patriotic duty of forgiving the rebels who were in arms against the Government, but he is evidently incapable of forgiving General Grant for having adopted measures necessary to defeat the rebels in war. A great many Democrats feel in the same way.

CHARLEY BRYAN would be pleased to have his friends call and see him at John Irwin's White Front. 6-d-wit

TRIMMED Hats and Bonnets at Cost. A nice assortment at Mrs. K. Einstein's. Jan18-d-wit

The London Times thinks the price of wheat has gone below where it belongs, and looks for a rise in the price, and gives these as among the reasons for that view: "The impressions given the public about the English crop were, he says, of the most erroneous character. The proper allowance was not made for the decrease in acreage which has been going on for years. There are now only 2,750,000 acres in wheat against 4,000,000 acres ten years ago. The threshing machines have also revealed that the lowest estimates given of this crop were much too high, although these were far below the average of the last nineteen years. A large quantity of the crop has been used for feeding purposes, and the amount remaining in the hands of the English farmers is small. The gross imports of wheat and flour into the United Kingdom were 6,000,000 bushels less in the last quarter of last year than in the similar period of 1883, and 12,000,000 bushels less than in the same part of 1882. The quantities on passage at the end of 1884 were also less than at the same time in any of the four preceding years, being 14,592,000 bushels, against 17,812,000 in 1883, and 23,752,000 in 1881.

What the Census Shows
Dr. J. N. Randall has been investigating the U. S. Census report for 1880, and makes a few comparisons of interest to the Republican readers. The increase of population in Illinois during the last decade was 533,000. This is equal to an annual growth of 53,000, or enough to equal the population of Sangamon county. The distribution of this gain in numbers was not such as to give all sections cause for congratulation. Almost half of the gain in the population for the ten years was in Cook county alone. Its number rose from 350,000 to 607,000. On the other hand the population of many counties fell off from the count of 1870. Among the counties that suffered a loss are Brown, Hancock, Jo Davies, Knox, Marshall and Schuyler. Macon county made a gain of 4,175 in the decade. Of this number all but 1,600 were added to Decatur. The gain of Macon county was less than that of Piatt. The per cent. of gain per annum in Macon was 1%, while Piatt's was 3%. There were 1,397 more males of all ages in Macon county than females; 2,461 persons living in Macon county in 1880 were foreign born. Nearly two-fifths of the people in Cook county were foreign born. The valuation in Macon county in 1880 was \$9,436,000. The total tax was \$201,000. In making a comparison of the resources, products, &c., of the counties of Illinois we find that Macon can urge a good claim to distinction in the matter of taxation, as there are but one or two in the state in which the ratio between taxes and valuation is greater than in Macon.

The Coroner's Contest Case.
From Friday's Daily.

In the county court this forenoon Judge Greer gave up considerable time to hearing the arguments of opposing counsel in the coroner's contest case of Jesse E. Bendure against Peter Perl, who was declared regularly elected for a term of four years from December, 1884, by the county board of canvassers. Bendure's petition for a recount of the ballots cast in the five districts of Decatur township, he alleging that he has information and believes that mistakes were made by the judges and clerks in the count of the ballots, and that had they been properly counted, he (Bendure) would have a majority over Perl of 144. Counsel for Perl entered a general demurrer to the Bendure document, and both Judge Nelson and I. A. Buckingham insisted in support of the demurrer that Bendure shall base his claim for a recount on facts, and set them forth plainly; that if a mistake was made, state what it is and where it occurred. That in substance Bendure must be more specific in his petition, and that because he has not done so he has no case. The Mills Bros. represented Mr. Bendure and presented strong arguments against the demurrer. The attorneys were well supplied with authorities bearing on the points at issue. Coroner Perl was in attendance during the arguments and was as attentive as the Judge.

Judge Greer overruled the demurrer, and entered an order that the defendant, Perl, answer the statement by the first day of the next term, the second Monday of the February term, which will be the 9th of that month.

Don't Give Up Yet.
It doesn't follow that a patient will die because the doctors have "given him up," or that he will recover because they promise to "pull him through." It is never too late to try the great virtues of Parker's Tonic. Mr. Michael Guilfoyle, of Binghamton, N. Y., was cured of Rheumatism by it after ten years of unspeakable suffering. Mr. R. W. Mosher, druggist, of same city, certifies that he has sold over a thousand bottles of Parker's Tonic through its reputation for this and other cures.

A Rockville, Ga., boy in crossing a newly washed gully discovered a dog's skull containing twenty \$1 gold pieces and some small pieces of silver.

Don't buy an Overcoat before you see B. Stine.

THE LABRADOR FISHERIES.

The Serious Distress Which Has Followed the Failure in the Catch.
The failure of the Labrador fishery is the most serious we have had in that quarter for many years. The quantity of codfish taken, on a moderate calculation, will be one-half below the average. After toiling all the summer, numbers are now returning home with but miserable returns for their labors, and some have almost nothing to show. In such cases, where there is a necessity, the supplying merchant makes advances to enable the poor fisherman to pull through the long winter. Where absolute destitution exists, Government aid is given in the shape of provisions. It is believed, however, that the number of cases requiring such aid will not be great. A man-of-war is shortly to be dispatched with supplies on board for some of the more destitute localities in White Bay and on Southern Labrador. To add to the distress, considerable losses among the fishing craft have been sustained in consequence of the stormy weather which has prevailed. The steamer Hercules, on her return from the mail service on Labrador, brought the crews of eight vessels which had been wrecked, and was obliged to leave a number of others behind from the want of room on board. Assistance has been dispatched to these sufferers. A vessel named the Lady Jane, having fifty-two souls on board, many of them women and children, on her return from Labrador, became leaky and unmanageable. When almost sinking, another, the Flamingo, bore down upon her, and took off the crew and passengers after terrible sufferings. Seldom has worse weather been experienced on Labrador than this season. A succession of storms destroyed the prospects of the herring fishery, just at the time when herrings had struck in abundantly. Labrador herrings will be a scarce and dear article this year. One storm in particular which caused damage is reported to have been the heaviest experienced in twenty years. —Montreal Gazette.

The Judge: The average American editor gets so bored and harassed by these Presidential campaigns that he always rejoices when the election is over so that he can find relief from politics by discussing the chances of the different candidates and the probable result of the election four years after.

Attention, Farmers!
When you want hard on soft coal it will be to your interest to call at my yard, next to Shellabarger's mill, on Water St. Geo. W. EMBURY.

Dec. 25-wit
—"Rinkurating" meaning to skate in a rink, is the latest new word added to the English language. The young man who coined it received a reward the following day.

—Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, is said to use more ink in signing his name than any man in that branch of the Congress.

Fruit Farm for Sale in Maroa.
I have twelve acres of land planted in small fruits, such as strawberries (3 acres), raspberries (3 acres), Snider blackberries, grapes, and about 2,000 apple trees 4 years old, all of which I will dispose of cheap for cash or on reasonable terms. For further particulars call on Walker Bros., Decatur, or the proprietor on the premises. F. O. Brown.

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ATTENTION, FARMERS!

—OF—
Macon and Adjoining Counties

Believing that Macon county raises Bigger Ears of Corn than any other county in this or any other state,

JOHN IRWIN, of the White Front Clothing and Gents' Furnishing Goods House, offers the following

CASH PRIZES

FOR THE

LARGEST EAR OF CORN, in the following classes, viz:

One Cent for each and every grain on the largest ear of pure white corn.

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One-half Cent for each and every grain on the largest ear of mixed corn.

Awards made by a committee of three disinterested men, on Feb. 1st, 1885.

Where two or more ears contain the same number of sound and perfect grains, in either class, the prize to be awarded by lot.

Each ear of corn deposited will be labeled with the raiser's name and post office address and carefully preserved until day of awards.

Bring your big corn to the White Front, Revolving Sign, near post office, Decatur, Illinois. nov20-d-wit

A Card from Dr. Walston, Decatur, Ill.
It is generally known to the public that I am now, and have been for many years, devoting myself exclusively to the treatment of ALL OBSCURE DISEASES; but I now wish to say particularly that I OVER RUTHERS by a process entirely new and simple, which does away forever with TRUSSERS. NO KNIFE, NO DANGER; CURES GUARANTEED.

I cure PILES and FISTULA without the knife, pain or danger. Strictures, Hydrocele, Varicocele, and diseases of the KIDNEYS and BLADDER, are treated and cured by the latest and most approved methods.

In ALL PRIVATE DISEASES I have a wide experience and unsurpassed success.

DISEASES OF THE JOINTS and BONES, OLD SORES, TUMORS, CANCERS, SCROFULA, SPINAL CURVATURE, HIP-JOINT DISEASE, HERNIA, CLAP, PALATE, and all diseases of the THROAT, LUNGS and HEART are treated by these improved methods for which the last ten years are famous.

I strangle GONORRHOEA, OPERATE FOR GLEET, remove obstructions to URINE, DUODEN, and treat successfully all curable diseases of the EYE and EAR.

I am especially prepared in my Infirmary for the treatment and cure of all diseases of women.

If you have ANY OBSCURE DISEASE whatever, come or send for circular.

R. L. WALSTON, M. D., Decatur, Ill.

THE CLOTHIER! THE PUBLIC! THE NEWSPAPER!



WE THREE MEET DAILY!

We drive with advertising because we believe in what we offer—namely, the BIGGEST STOCK OF THE BEST CLOTHING FOR THE LEAST MONEY. B. STINE'S Clothing Store is full of Specialties.

All-Wool Business Suits at \$10.00.

Working Suits at \$5.00.

Very choice brown, blue, wine-colored Corkscrew Worsted Dress Suits for young men, at from \$15.00 to \$25.00.

Four Hundred sorts of Suits for all sorts of male humanity.

B. STINE,
DECATUR'S BOSS CLOTHIER.
Sept 17-wit.

OUR Great Clearing SALE

WILL BEGIN at ONCE.

UNPRECEDENTED BARGAINS

In Silk, Cloth and Plush.

CLOAKS.

SPECIAL REDUCTION

—IN—

FANCY DRESS GOODS,

Hosiery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Notions, Underwear, Flannels, Blankets, Yarns, Hoods, Nubias, and every description of Winter Goods.

REMNANTS

—OF—

BRUSSELS AND INGRAIN CARPETS,

Varying in lengths from one yard to quantities suitable for small rooms, at very low prices.

We shall add to our stock New, Fresh Goods every day, adapted to the wants of the present and coming season.

Our trade has NEVER been better than for the last 12 months, notwithstanding the general depression in business throughout the entire country. And this extraordinary result can be traced to the fact that our stock is LARGE, varied, well assorted, and complete in all appointments; that we sell goods cheap, and that THE PEOPLE KNOW IT!

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WHICH WILL LAST 30 DAYS!

A Confession of Murder!

CHEAP CHARLEY

The Culprit!

It has been made public to-day that Cheap Charley in a moment of passion has out and slashed the prices of all his WINTER GOODS.

HE STABBED TO THE HEART

The Prices of All

Men's and Boys' Overcoats.

The Prices of All

Men's and Boys' Suits.

The Prices of All

Men's and Boys' Winter Caps.

In fact he has thrust the knife into the prices of every article of his well-assorted stock.

We have made up our mind to have a new stock at the beginning of each and every season, and therefore we are bound to sacrifice the goods now on hand.

NOW COME AND ATTEND THE FUNERAL.

You will represent the LAUGHING HEIRS, while we represent the WEeping MOURNERS.

CHEAP CHARLEY,

Corner Old Square, Decatur, Illinois.

DECATUR MUSICAL COLLEGE

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Principal and Vocal Teacher,

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Piano, Organ, and Harmony,

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Violin Department,

PROF. OLOF BULL.

TUITION:

One term, 16 weeks (36 lessons), Piano or Organ, two private and one class lesson, \$10.

VOCAL—Two private lessons per week, beginners have free advantage of one class lesson in harmony, per week, \$10.

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The pianos used in this college are the Ballot & Davis, Emerson and Kimball, and Kimball organ. An extra piano is provided for practice hours for pupils at very low rates.

First Class Instruction Guaranteed.

All correspondence should be addressed to the principal.

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Great Clearance Sale

—OF OUR—

ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS

For the next 30 days we will give you Lower Prices on all and any goods in our house

Than Ever Before Offered.

Great Inducements in Cloaks. Splendid Bargains in Shawls. Ladies', Children's and Men's Underwear at 1/4 off regular prices. Table Linens, Towels, Napkins, Corsets, Gloves, Ladies' and Child's Hosiery, full stock, and at great reduction.

ALL FOR CASH.

Do not fail to notice our prices.

F. L. HAYS & CO.

AGENTS BAZAR PATTERNS.

Dec. 29, 1884—Jawit

Fresh oysters by dish or can, at J. H. Krebs, 146 East Prairie street. 191&wit

A BLACK time for Cheap Charley for the next thirty days. 7-dawit

IMPORTED gent's Underwear, the finest in the market at B. Stine's. dawit

LINES TO MY SPRING OVERCOAT.

Thou fickle thing! Oh, I could smite thee with a tongue of brass. But words are dumb and so—but let it pass! For thou art only false as other men. I hate thee now as I did love thee then. Early last spring.

Why, false one, see! Thou once was warm enough for any climate. And mark, how short ago was that sweet time— In August last, when sunstrokes filled the sky. And for the lack of other cost I wore thee—aye!

Thou smothered'st me! And now? the breath Of chill November makes me wish thee warm: Dead leaves in shivering eddies 'round me swirl. Thou art as cold as frigid Greenland's snows. And every one who sees thee laughs and knows I'll freeze to death.

—Burlesque, in Brooklyn Eagle.

SQUAW'S ROCK

The Tragic Events from Which It Took Its Name.

Those who are acquainted with the upper portion of the Russian River Valley can not have failed to remark a peculiarly precipitous bluff, some five hundred feet in height, which overhangs the western bank of the stream at a point about ten miles north of Cloverdale and six of seven from Hopland or Sanel. Those who have ridden in the stage from Cloverdale to Ukiah at the present day over the new toll-road running along the eastern bank of the river, gain a clear view of this precipitous bluff while passing over that portion of the road known as the Blue Slide—a geological freak which lies just opposite to Squaw's Rock, and has acquired its reputation from the glacier-like movement of the blue clay composing that portion of the riverward slope, necessitating continued repairs of the roadway, and constituting the acutest thorn in the side of the stage drivers who ply between Cloverdale and Bel River. Either the driver or some fellow passenger, if you happen to be traveling on the stage, will probably volunteer to give you the traditional particulars of how the Squaw's Rock acquired its name. These particulars, however, are usually extremely meagre, and all that seems to be certainly known about the matter is that, some forty years ago—before the discovery of gold, in fact, and when white settlers were few and far between—an Indian maiden was beloved by a white youth, the affection being mutual, but distasteful to the maiden's tribe, who put every obstacle in the way of a union; that the maiden was eventually compelled to marry a suitor chosen for her by the tribe, and that, in a fit of despair, she threw herself, like another Sappho, from the top of the precipice which bears her name, and was dashed to pieces on the bowlders of the river's bed. This poetic legend might still have remained shrouded in historic vagueness had not chance thrown me in the way of obtaining further particulars from an authentic source, which invested the story with a tragic and dramatic force which was not hinted at in its original form.

Some years ago, while living in the neighborhood of Cloverdale, I made the acquaintance of an Indian of more than ordinary intelligence, whose natural reticence was thawed by some services which I was enabled to do him, and whose confidence I won far enough to succeed in making him unfold in a disjointed manner the real history of the occurrences from which Squaw's Rock took its name, and which I now reproduce for the benefit of my readers, weaving the story into a more connected form than was given me by old Santiago.

It was some time in the twenties that John Willard, the captain of a trader, who brought the commodities of civilization life into Monterey, and there bartered them for hides, got tired of his seafaring life, as many more have done before and after him in California, married himself to a senorita with broad acres and fat kine, and settled down into a steady-going rancher in the valley of the Russian River. A son was born to the pair, a stalwart youth, whose robust, out-of-door vaquero life made him both strong and handsome. It was universally conceded that Frank Willard, at the age of twenty, was as fine a specimen of a youth as could be found north of the bay, or for that matter, south of it either. His free and generous disposition made him as great a favorite with the male portion of the community as his good looks did with the female. Of course, at that susceptible age it was only natural that he should pay particular attention to the latter, and as competitors of his own station were not numerous in those thinly settled regions, perhaps it was but natural that he should cast his eyes upon such females as there were. The paternal hacienda of the Willards lay in the neighborhood of the Healdsburg of the present day; and to the north in the vicinity of Sanel and Ukiah there dwelt at that time a strong tribe of Indians, remarkable for fine physique and in all respects considerably above the average of Californian aborigines. During one of his equestrian wanderings young Frank Willard came upon one of the rancherias of this tribe, at that time situated upon the western bank of the Russian River, and within a few hundred yards of the precipice now known as Squaw's Rock. It was there that he encountered Benita, daughter of Big Bull, one of the sub-chiefs of the tribe, a maiden of rare beauty, with a complexion as pure and clear as a Castilian and a form of wonderful symmetry and grace. At that impressionable age to see was to love. Young Willard saw his fate, and the flame was reciprocated. But there were the usual difficulties in the way. Not only were the youth's parents unacquainted beyond expression at the idea of their

son allying himself to an Indian, but the Indians themselves, with true tribal pride, resented the idea of such a union. Still love, as usual, laughed at looksmiths, and Frank's absence from the hacienda upon riding expeditions of questionable utility became more and more noticeable as the weeks wore on. There were stolen interviews with Benita in the chaparral near the rancheria, at one of which the loving couple were surprised by the old chief, when Frank was warned that such interviews must cease forever, under pain of the dire resentment of the tribe. The fair Benita had, he was told, been betrothed to Domingo, a gallant of her race, and the nuptial ceremony was to be performed in the course of a week, on which occasion a grand fandango was to be held, at which the whole tribe would participate. From that time forth Benita was not permitted to go outside the bounds of the rancheria, though a solitary horseman, presumed to be Frank Willard, could still be seen daily riding among the adjacent hills. At length the day of the fandango arrived. The large adobe building in which the orgy was to be held, was filled at an early hour of the evening with as motley an assemblage of squaws and bucks as ever appeared at such a gathering. The weeping Benita was led in, bedecked with as much poor finery as the wardrobe of the tribe afforded, and at her side stood Domingo with a triumphant expression on his coarse and repulsive countenance. Dancing was engaged in around a fire built on the ground in the center of the building (it was winter), the smoke from which ascended in wreaths to the cone-shaped ceiling through a hole in which it issued to the open air. Squaws danced with squaws, and bucks with bucks, as the invariable custom is. Under the influence of aguardiente, of which there was a liberal supply, the orgy waxed wild and furious. Suddenly it was remarked that Benita had disappeared while Domingo was engaged in dancing. In an instant a deafening howl was set up, and the motley gathering rushed pell-mell from the building, spreading hither and thither with pine torches and glowing firebrands in quest of the missing maiden. Presently a shout went up from an outlying quarter. A general rush was made thither. Just at the limits of the rancheria stood a horse, on which was seated Frank Willard, while running towards it, and now only a few yards away, appeared Benita. A second or two more and she would have reached the horse and been swung into the saddle by the strong arm of her lover, when, hapless fate! an arrow whizzed through the air, piercing the flank of the animal. With a bound the spirited beast leaped forward, the abrupt movement throwing the poor youth out of the saddle. In an instant he was on his feet, with one arm round the maiden, while with his revolver he covered the approaching Indians. Six shots rang out in sharp succession, and three swarthy forms fell groaning to the ground. But what chance had the poor boy against the superior numbers of the now maddened barbarians? Frank was quickly overpowered, bound with rushes, and a council held over his prostrate body. Some counseled despatching him instantly then and there, but this was overruled by the older heads of the tribe.

After a short consultation, four of the stoutest Indians raised him from the ground and began to bear him out of the rancheria. They took the direction of the river, making straight for the precipice which overhangs it at a height of 600 feet, followed by the entire tribe. Arrived at the edge of the bluff, the two stoutest Indians took the body of the youth by the head and feet, and swinging him backward and forward three times launched him out into the stream, whose hoarse murmur could be heard 600 feet below. The next instant a female figure sprang forward from the throng of Indians that had pressed close up to the brink of the precipice, and, with a wild, despairing shriek, leaped down after the body of her lover.

It was Benita. Her body was found next morning, dashed into an unrecognizable mass upon the bowlders below. The body of poor Frank Willard was found a few days later some miles down the stream, caught on a snag below where Cloverdale now is. There were no marks of violence on it, as he had been swung clear into the river, which was then in flood, and as the rushes with which he had been bound had been washed off there was no evidence that he had been murdered in the way he was. It was thought, he had been wounded while attempting to ford the swollen stream. It was early in the forties when the incident happened. Most of those who took part in it are, doubtless, by this time either dead or dispersed. My informant, old Santiago, did not admit having taken any overt part in the matter, so I could only thank him for his narrative, and for having given new interest to the precipice known as the Squaw's Rock. —Robert Duncan Miles, in San Francisco Argonaut.

The Kansas Supreme Court's decision that a husband is not responsible for slanderous words spoken by his wife when he was not present, seems to assume that he would be responsible if present. It was the old common law right of the husband to restrain his wife's tongue by personal chastisement that made him responsible for his wife's utterances. Since that right has been abolished, there seems to be no basis for holding him responsible for what she says whether he is present or absent. It would be a solemn mockery for the law to presume that the mere presence of a meek and bald-headed husband can silence a wife when she is inclined to do the talking for the whole family. —St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Proprietor Singler, of the Philadelphia Record, who is singularly fond of real estate investments, owns two hundred and fifty houses in the Quaker City, and proposes to build seven hundred and fifty more, at an average cost of six thousand dollars each.

To avoid potato scab, select seed free of the scab and plant as much as possible on new soil.

BREAKFAST.

How to Get Up an Inviting Breakfast—Recipe for Fish Cakes.

It is quite surprising to find, when you give a little time and attention to the art of cookery, what delightful dishes can be made out of mere scraps. Any article of food, however costly, can be rendered almost uneatable by the want of care in the cooking; and almost any article, however common, may be made into quite a dainty by simply taking pains. Of nothing can this be more truly said than of fish. Cook it badly, and it is one of the most tasteless, disagreeable things that can be placed upon a table, quite sufficient to spoil any one's temper as well as digestion; but cook it well, and it becomes one of the daintiest dishes imaginable.

I often think if mothers and daughters would pay a little more attention to the comforts of the table, how much happier some homes would be! Breakfast, in my estimation, is really the most important meal in the day—important, I mean, as regards its effect upon us during the hours when we are all called upon to labor in some way or other. Nothing is more likely to upset a man's temper than to sit down to an untidy, ill-cooked meal. Let him find a neatly-laid cloth, with a good breakfast upon it, and what a difference it makes! He will go off to business with a light heart, and in a frame of mind fit to surmount any difficulties which he may have to contend with during the day.

It is quite possible for a breakfast to be all that I have said, and yet be very inexpensive. There are dozens of receipts for breakfast dishes which cost little more than the care and forethought of the housekeeper. One is the following:

When there has been fresh boiled fish for dinner and pieces are left over, people are often at loss to know what to do with them. They do not like the idea of their being wasted, and yet they are not very presentable. The ordinary method of serving up cold fish is to pour a little vinegar over it, with pepper and salt, and eat it as pickled fish; but a nicer way is to make it into fish cakes. To do this, some cold potatoes will be required. If there are none in the house ready, it is quite worth while boiling a few for the purpose. Put the odds and ends of fish into a large basin, and carefully pick out all the bones and skin. Supposing there is half a pound of fish, add the same weight of potatoes, and about two ounces of butter with a little pepper and salt. Beat all well together with a fork, until everything is thoroughly mixed, and perfectly smooth. Take a small quantity at a time, and with the hands, form it into a neat, flat, round cake, about three-quarters of an inch thick. Let the hands be slightly floured, as this prevents the cakes from adhering to them. Have ready on the plate some finely sifted bread crumbs, and, on another, a well-beaten egg. Dip the cakes, one at a time, first into the egg, then into the bread crumbs. Be careful to have every part of the cake covered. Fry them in plenty of boiling fat—good beef dripping, or pure lard is the best. When they are of nice light brown color on one side, turn them over to brown the other side. Remove them from the frying-pan with a fish-slice, and carefully drain off all the fat; they ought to be quite dry. Serve them on a very hot dish with a napkin spread over it. Five or six minutes will be required to cook them sufficiently.

Should the breakfast hour be very early, these cakes can be made the night before—all except the dipping in egg and bread crumbs.—Aunt Chloe, in Country Gentleman.

KID GLOVES.

Where the Leather is Obtained and How the Gloves Are Made.

The best skins for kid gloves, "Tendence" will find by careful inquiry, come from middle and southeastern France. Fine seasons improve the quality of the skin greatly, as the animals are kept in the open air. In wet weather it is necessary to keep the kids housed. The confinement, if lengthy, causes heating, and produces fever spots on the skins. The animals on the Tyrol Mountains furnish good leather for men's wear. South American kids, being more or less wild, their coats become scratched by contact with bushes, briars, etc., and are not desirable. The pelt as taken from the animal is dried; then, through series of baths, the hair and grease are removed and the skin is cleaned thoroughly. A most difficult stage of the business is tanning and dyeing the leathers, so much skill being required to obtain the requisite shades and colors. This is accomplished with the best success in France, as the French possess the art of leather dyeing to a degree not yet attained by other nations. In order afterward to make the skin soft, full and flexible, it is fed with—actually absorbing quite a quantity of—a preparation of wheat flour and egg yolks. Subsequently the parts around the neck and shoulders, where the skin is thickest, are shaved with a sharp knife to render it uniform in thickness throughout. The leather fully prepared is carefully examined for imperfections; perfect skins are retained, imperfect ones laid aside. The cutting of material for kid gloves can only be done by hand, each piece being carefully measured to allow the proper stretchingspace. The stamping which comprises cutting out the form of the glove is done by machinery rapidly, as three pairs are usually "stamped" at one time. From the cutter they pass to the embroiderer, thence to the sewer, then to the button-hole maker, afterward to the finisher, who binds the wrist, and finally to the person whose business it is to pair and press them. The long monomaniac generally consumes the entire skin of one kid. Of ordinary gloves there are ten different sizes for ladies—six and one fourth to eight; thirteen different sizes for gentlemen—six and three fourths to nine; for misses the sizes are from four and a half to seven and a half, and for boys the widest sizes range from five and a half to seven and one fourth.—Boston Herald.

CHICAGO Tribune: The New York World intimates that if Jefferson Davis had joined the Republican party at the close of the War he would not to-day be regarded as a traitor. If Jeff had joined the Republican party he would in that act have confessed that his whole life had been a blunder; that his political career had been based on a false and exploded theory; that he was a perjured traitor when he went out of the United States Senate; and that the Confederacy was a criminal conspiracy to perpetuate and extend slavery. If old Jeff had admitted all this and come into the Republican party after the War we should still have been obliged to call him a traitor, though a penitent one, and if he had shown the sincerity of his repentance by twenty years of good works we might have believed in him—a little bit. But the trouble with Jeff is that he is the same old sinner—as full of hate and treachery against the Union now as he was in 1860.

The first of the granger railroad legislation is a bill in the Minnesota Legislature. Railroads must furnish cars within a reasonable time to any person who may demand them; shall load and ship grain within a reasonable time, and ship to any place in the state without deduction for leakage, shrinkage, etc.; shall allow track connections to be made with warehouses and elevators; shall provide facilities to weigh grain by the car load at every station where shipments for the previous year amounted to 20,000 bushels; provides against discrimination in rates, and imposes a fine of \$500 to \$1,000 for violation of the act or unjust charges. All prosecutions under this act shall be in the name of the people of Minnesota.

THERE has been an enormous decrease during the past year in the gold product of the California coast. During 1884 the total gold which came to San Francisco from California, Arizona and Nevada was only \$4,882,176. From the "north coast," which embraces Alaska and Oregon, \$1,487,771 was received, and from Mexico only \$50,070, making the total gold bullion receipts of San Francisco for 1884, from all sources, \$5,979,178, or say in round numbers, \$6,000,000. It is quite safe to say that the total gold product of California alone during 1884 did not exceed \$4,000,000.

MR. LINCOLN's manner while signing the emancipation proclamation New Year's night, 1863, is thus described in a current item: "As he took up the pen he said to Secretary Stanton: 'My arm is numb to the shoulder from so much hand-shaking. If my hand trembles they will say it was because I was afraid.' Then he threw out his under-lip in a peculiar manner and wrote the unfaltering signature, 'A. Lincoln,' that gave freedom to over 3,000,000 blacks."

SENATOR PENDLETON, of Ohio, who voted against the bill to place General Grant on the retired list, has never shown any admiration for generals who commanded the Union armies. He has had the Presidential bee buzzing in his bonnet for twenty years, and he knows where the flowers grow from which he expects to gather honey. Nobody believes that he represented his constituents in Ohio by his vote.

The position of foreign minister or consul is anything but a pleasant office just now, on account of the large number of impetuous Americans floating around the cities of Europe. A good many American citizens think the principal duty of the minister or consul is to furnish pocket-money and play guide to his countrymen, and they take it as high dudgeon when he fails in either.

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FROM WASHINGTON.

An Angry Altercation Between Congressmen Over the London Dynamite Explosions.

Committeemen Arranging for a Free Summer Excursion—A Montana Memorial Against Plucking the Crows.

Blackburn, of Kentucky, Calls His Colleague, Representative White, a Crank.

An Exciting Scene in the Clock-Moom.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 28.—There was a good deal of half-suppressed agitation among Congressmen yesterday afternoon over a discussion on the subject of dynamite between Representatives Cobb (of Indiana) and Fliserty (of Illinois), which occurred shortly after the House assembled at noon to-day. The discussion began on the floor of the House, but the participants soon repaired to the clock-room. Their words, it is said, grew very heated, and attracted a few friends about them. Both gentlemen are upward of six feet in height, and weigh more than 200 pounds each. Their gestures during the discussion are said to have been somewhat demonstrative, and finally one of them made a remark which was received by the other as an insult. This was followed by an immediate movement, and quickly the space between them was diminished. Messrs. Hammond (of Georgia), Robertson (of Kentucky) and others rushed between them.

Preparing for a Free Summer Excursion.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 27.—The investigation now being conducted by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs into the practice of leasing Indian lands will be terminated as soon as the witnesses who have been summoned are heard. It was determined to-day that there should be no more subpoenas issued this session. The committee will probably ask permission of the Senate to visit the various Indian reservations during the Congressional recess, with a view of reporting on the subject of leases to the next Congress.

Beating Poor Lo.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 27.—A memorial of the Legislature of Montana was presented in the Senate to-day. It recites that efforts are being made to induce the Crow Indians to lease that part of their reservation west of the Big Horn River, recently vacated by them, to a syndicate of stock-raising speculators, on such terms as are unjust to the Indians, and prays Congress to stop the leasing and restore the lands to the public domain.

Forty-Eighth Congress.

Senate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 27.—Mr. Cockrell, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported favorably a joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to loan bunting and flags to the Committee on Insurgency, with which to decorate the city on the 4th of March next. Passed.

Mr. Morrill, from the Committee on Finance, reported favorably with amendment House bill providing for the retirement and recollection of the trade dollar, and gave notice that he would call it up for consideration on Tuesday next. Calendered.

After the transaction of routine business the Senate, on motion of Mr. Miller (of California), went into executive session on the Nicaraguan treaty.

The executive session lasted until 5:40 p. m., when the doors were reopened and the Senate adjourned.

In the executive session Mr. Bayard continued his argument against the adoption of the Nicaragua treaty. He maintained that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was still in force, and expressed the opinion that the ratification of the Nicaragua treaty would be a violation of it.

After Bayard concluded a number of other Senators spoke on both sides of the question, and without reaching a vote the matter was dropped for the day. There is a growing opinion that the treaty will not be ratified during this Congress.

House.

The District of Columbia appropriation bill came up as the first business and was passed.

Mr. White (of Kentucky) caused quite a commotion over the fact that certain matter spoken by him in the House had, by direction of the Speaker, been excluded from the Congressional Record. When the States were called yesterday, Mr. White insisted on reading a resolution introduced by him, and made some remarks. The speaker held that the remarks were not in order, under the rule, while bills were being introduced under a call of States, and excluded the matter.

Mr. White persisted in his point of order, and managed to gain read his preamble regarding the Secretary of the Treasury and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and his resolution to abolish the internal revenue system.

Mr. Cox (of New York) made a motion that Mr. White's harangue, which occupied three-quarters of an hour be omitted from the Record, and was attempting to speak in criticism of Mr. White's remarks.

Mr. Reed (of Maine) said if this discussion was to go on he would insist that an opportunity to be heard be given to the other side.

Mr. Blackburn (of Kentucky): "Let's declare a holiday and keep up the circus."

Mr. Miller (of Pennsylvania): "I move the House adjourn."

Mr. Blackburn: "There is another crank."

Mr. Cox offered his resolution in writing, declaring Mr. White's remarks out of order, and directing the official reporters to omit them from the record.

The speaker declared the motion out of order, and said the Record could only be amended after it was printed, when a motion to strike out or insert would be in order.

The House then went into committee of whole on the army appropriation bill, Mr. Mills (of Texas) in the Chair.

Mr. Torney, Chairman of the sub-committee, briefly explained the provisions of the bill.

The bill was read by paragraphs for amendment.

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Strange Revelations Concerning a New Sect of Religious Fanatics.

The "Second Coming" of Messiah Announced in the Life and Death of Mrs. Dora Beekman, of Illinois.

Disgusting Recitals in a Chicago Divorce Court of Immorality in the Guise of Piety.

CHICAGO, ILL., January 28.—A divorce case coming up in Judge Tukey's Court to-day occasions some rather sensational developments. Mrs. Laura M. Wentworth, a pretty young woman of twenty-two, for divorce from Sidney T. Wentworth, aged forty-two, on the ground of cruelty and adultery. She alleges Wentworth to be a member of a peculiar sect styling themselves the "Beekmanites," and gave some highly sensational testimony going to show that its exponents are free lovers and entirely disregard the marriage laws. Several members of the sect were in the court and denied Mrs. Wentworth's charge of free love in their creed. The full ecclesiastical title of the sect, which numbers eighty-two, is: "The church of the first-born, of the redeemed in heaven and glorified upon earth." According to Beekman, a Schenectady, N. Y., preacher, they believe Christ came the second time in the person of Mrs. Dora Beekman, who died two years ago at Byron, Ill., the headquarters of the sect. Mrs. Wentworth said in 1876 Mrs. Beekman, who was the wife of a Congregationalist minister, announced herself as the infant Jesus on his second coming. There being no birth, she then claimed to be Christ herself, and her followers believed it. Some weeks ago Mrs. Wentworth alleges she attended one of their gatherings at Byron, and then were her suspicions confirmed. The meeting was held in a private house. The preacher wore no robes, much less the congregation, who all appeared to each other clothed in nature's raiment only. At midnight they gathered into one room for repose. She charged Wentworth with infidelity with several of the sisters on this occasion, and also threatening her with a revolver for refusing to join the sect. Wentworth is the printer for a firm of tinware street, and will testify to his own belief today.

Mr. McCornas offered an amendment intended, although not by name, to place General Grant on the retired list. Ruled out on point of order raised by Mr. Torney, in charge of the bill.

Mr. Sumner (of California) offered an amendment providing that the rate for telegrams for the army shall be not higher than the price now charged under contract for dispatches for the signal service. Adopted.

The second section, providing for the excess of graduates at West Point, was ruled out on point of order raised by Mr. McMillan (of Tennessee).

The bill was then reported to the House for amendment of minor import agreed to in bulk, and the bill passed.

Mr. Hewitt (of New York) moved to go into committee of the whole on the revenue bills (the Mexican treaty bill). This was authorized by Mr. Willis (of Kentucky); in charge of the educational bill, and by Mr. Henley (of California), in charge of the bill to forfeit the lands of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Mr. Hewitt's motion was lost, 60 to 80.

Mr. Ellipt (of Louisiana) moved to adjourn, which was agreed to, and at 4:20 p. m. the House adjourned.

ARTHUR'S LAST.

The Outgoing President Gives a Brilliant Reception.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 27.—The "passing of Arthur" was commemorated this evening by the last of the President's official receptions. In point of attendance and gorgeous costumes the occasion was quite notable. Amongst the very large assemblage of diplomats, Senators, Congressmen, army and navy officers and others present, there were so many who had nothing to hope or expect from the outgoing President, and who might have been expected to await the "glorious summer" to follow the rising "son of York," that the occasion was a fitting recognition of the many decorum and exquisite tact with which President Arthur has discharged the social duties of the Chief Executive of the Nation.

The President was assisted by Mrs. McKim, who wore a handsome blue brocade satin; Mrs. Feinberg, in black velvet and white feathers; Mrs. McCulloch, white satin; Mrs. Hutton, white brocade; Mrs. Brewster, bronze and terra cotta satin, with bronze beading; and Mrs. Teller, black velvet and jet. The dresses of the ladies of the President's official household were all only semi-decorative, and a similar rule of costume prevailed, with a few marked exceptions, amongst the brilliant and fashionable assemblage present.

The Capital Fire.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 28.—In relation to the fire at the House end of the Capitol, the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds have reached the conclusion, and will so report to the House, that the cause of the fire was beyond doubt accidental, probably owing to the throwing of waste paper or other light material into a fire-place, some of which might have been carried up the flue, and while ignited have been blown over to the wooden flagstaff, or to the wooden box on the roof in which the flag is kept.

To prevent a recurrence of such an accident the committee will recommend that the flagstaff be covered with, and the box made of sheet metal. The committee will also recommend that the Clerk of the House be directed to procure and place in all rooms in which documents, papers or records are stored, suitable small portable fire extinguishers or hand grenades for the extinguishment of fires.

RIDDLEBERGER'S REWARD

For Forfeiting the Respect of All Good Men.

New York, January 28.—The following dispatches were sent yesterday to Senator Riddleberger, of Virginia, at Washington:

NEW YORK, January 27.—Detecting crime, whether English or anti-English, the American people recognize your position of great and just regard for National dignity and justice regarding foreign tyranny and its retributive problems. The title of "Guns" will live in a day. The American Senator who breathed it, will be honored in our history.

(Signed) JAMES W. O'BRYEN, Editor Union and Catholic Times.

"The Irish-American citizens of New York welcome your speech of yesterday. They will not forget it."

(Signed) EDWARD J. ROWE, CHARLES KELLY, CAPTAIN M. J. KEWIN.

The Sale of Postage Stamps.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 28.—A comparative statement of the sales of postage stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards of twenty-one principal cities for the quarter ending December 31st, 1884 and 1883, prepared by Third Assistant Postmaster-General Hagen, shows a net decrease of 12-10 per cent. for the last quarter of 1884, as against that of 1883. All but four cities show a decrease, the receipts of the Chicago office being \$19,044 less than for 1883; Cincinnati, Louisville follow close on the heels of Chicago, a decrease of \$18,857, and \$18,285 respectively being noted; Brooklyn, N. Y., shows an increase in sales of \$4,374; St. Louis of \$6,268; Detroit, \$6,729 and New Orleans, \$908. These twenty offices sold thirty-five per cent. of the total sales in the quarter ended December 31, 1884.

Probable Weather.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 28.—For the Upper Mississippi Valley, fair, warmer weather, westerly winds, shifting to southerly; falling barometer, preceded in the southern portion by rising barometer.

FOR THURSDAY: warmer weather, with local snows or rains are indicated for the districts bordering on the Atlantic.

Senator Spooner of Wisconsin.

MADISON, Wis., January 28.—In both Houses of the Legislature yesterday, votes were taken on United States Senator. In the Senate John C. Spooner received 18 and E. S. Briggs 12. In the Assembly Spooner received 58 and Briggs 26. Mr. Spooner having a majority in each house will be declared formally elected in joint convention to-day at noon.

An Election Ordered.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., January 28.—Governor Brown has ordered an election for Representative to Congress from the Worcester District to succeed Mr. Chase, deceased Senator.

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But the thousands of analyses, many of them by the most celebrated chemists of the world, the most searching scrutiny by scientific bodies in this country and Europe, the exhaustive tests before the juries of competitive and industrial exhibitions, and all the minute and prejudiced investigations by rivals and their chemists in the endeavor to find something upon which to base the shadow of a fault, have had but one result, to more fully determine and establish the fact that the Royal Baking Powder and all its ingredients are absolutely pure and wholesome. All reputable chemists, and all but the most ignorant makers of the low test, short weight, lime, alum, and other impure powders, long since ceased to examine the Royal Baking Powder to find anything impure or unwholesome in it.

While the Royal is proud of these unimpeachable indorsements, and highly gratified at the perfect result which it has, by the aid of the most competent chemists, the adoption of every available invention, and the expenditure of great sums of money, been able to accomplish, its greatest pleasure arises from the fact that its labors have been parallel with those great interests of the public shown in the protection of the lives and health of the people.

The gravity of the danger to the consumer from the many impure and unwholesome baking powders of the market is but faintly appreciated. The small amount of injurious substance imparted to the system at one time in the use of such powders is unnoticeable. They are therefore continued by the consumer in ignorance of the serious results sure to follow from the accumulated effects. This slow, insidious poisoning, because unapparent, is more dangerous than a larger dose at once. All the baking powders upon the market, except Royal, have been found to contain lime, alum, terra alba, or other ingredients that injuriously affect the health of the consumer.

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